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HSUCHOW REPORTS CAUSE EXCITEMENT

Contradictions In Japanese Victory Claims

JAPANESE HSUCHOW CLAIMS

Shanghai, To-day.
According to Japanese claims received in Shanghai, the Japanese have captured the whole of Hsuehchow except for the southern section, where fierce hand-to-hand fighting is raging. —Reuter.

CITY VIEW OF WEAKENING OF CHINESE DOLLAR

London, To-day.

In a leading article on the default on the Shanghai-Nanking Railway bonds and the weakness of the Chinese dollar, the "Financial News" says that any assumption that the Chinese economic system is becoming so impoverished that further prosecution of the war may be soon impossible, is certainly premature.

The most that the weakening of the dollar means is that the Government will have to pay more for supplies of war material, and it cannot mean that the end of Chinese resistance is near.

All signs point to a protracted struggle lasting, perhaps, years, and the implications in this for the economic system of Japan are very serious.

TOKYO BUDGET DEFICIT

The size of the Budget deficit is already staggering, and although totalitarian economy can bear a tremendous strain, it cannot indefinitely finance expenditure of such magnitude.

The implications for China, too, are far-reaching. Fighting a long war on guerilla and partisan lines might well lead, especially if the Chinese ultimately are successful, to recrudescence of nationalist feeling and emergence of a more united China. —Reuter.

Confirmation Of Entry Still Lacking

Shanghai, To-day.

Great excitement has been aroused here by Japanese claims to the capture of Hsuehchow, although there is strong disposition to regard the reports as premature.

Japanese statements are themselves contradictory. The communique claiming that Hsuehchow had been entered at three points, was followed by a statement by the Japanese spokesman to the effect that "the Chinese defence is very stubborn so that a decision in the battle for the possession of Hsuehchow will probably be delayed."

It is known that the area surrounding Hsuehchow is honeycombed with pill-boxes, capable of enfilading fire and holding up mass infantry assaults for a considerable time.

The Japanese allege, however, that Chiang Kai-shek's highly trained troops have been withdrawn to Kweichow and Kaifeng and that the troops left in the sector, probably some 150,000 are recruited mostly from the provincial armies.

"CITY WALLS"

At noon to-day a communique stated that the west and north stations in Hsuehchow were in Japanese occupation, while the troops from Pawangshan are at the gates. Japanese reports continue to refer to city walls, which the Chinese deny exist.

The reports say that fighting on the remaining fronts is of minor importance, since the Japanese supreme command is concentrating all available resources on the attacks against the west outskirts of Hsuehchow.

The position along the Lung-hai Railway west of Hsuehchow appears to be that the Japanese infiltrations which reached the line have been effectively disposed of.

Reliable information on the exact situation at Hsuehchow is still lacking. — Our Own Correspondent.

CLOUDY, SHOWERY

The Royal Observatory reports that a weak anticyclonic area has developed to the north of the Yangtze Valley and a depression is moving eastward across the Sea of Japan.

Pressure continues to be low over Indo-China.

Local forecast:—S. to E winds, moderate; cloudy, showery.

ITALO-FRENCH NEGOTIATIONS SUSPENDED

Paris, To-day.

Franco-Italian negotiations have been suspended until further notice, Trans-Ocean learned yesterday evening.

The French Charge d'Affaires, M. Blondel, was to have been received yesterday by the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, who, however, sent a notice to M. Blondel that he could not grant the interview.

When M. Blondel inquired whether the conversations could be held on Thursday, he received the answer that Italy would resume negotiations with France only when the smuggling of arms and ammunition over the French frontier had ceased. — Trans-Ocean.

CHANGPING RETAKEN

Chengchow, To-day.

Changping, northwest of Peiping and east of Nankow, has been recaptured by the Chinese.

Another report received here stated that Chinese Peace Preservation Corps units in eastern Hopei and Yungtsing, northwest

of Tientsin, have revolted against the bogus government. — Central News.

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graph much softer. They have
better holding of the face, there
are no shadows, no trouble at all."

But photography apart, Korman
has definite ideas about beauty.

"The first requisite," he said, "is
beauty of face and form. If a girl
has good looks, half the battle is
won."

"Then again, hair. Never mind
its colour: the texture is the thing
that counts."

"Taking a survey of the whole
world, I find that the most famous
beauties are equally numbered
among blondes and brunettes. Red-
heads run a close second."

"At least 60 per cent. of 'Ameri-
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To have money, glamour, ro-
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Well, Francine Bordeaux was a
Hollywood star.

Now read on . . .
Francine went into the witness-
box at Hollywood's Law Courts.

And wailed out the strangest
story Hollywood has heard for
many a day.

Seems that when she was becom-
ing a film star, Francine decided
that what she wanted was publi-
city.

She signed a contract with two
agents.

"I want to live my own life,"
she wept out to the Judge yester-
day.

The contract gave the agents
power to—

Order what men she met

What books she read

What clothes she wore

How she did her hair.

What make-up she used.

What powder and lipstick she
bought.

What mascara to put on her eye-
lashes.

And even the kind of pencil she
had to use to outline her eyebrows.

"Under this contract Miss Bor-
deaux's soul is not her own," thun-
dered her lawyer.

"I don't want to be an oo-la-la
girl," sniffed Francine, but I do
think I ought to be free to run my
own life."

The Judge agreed.

Hollywood's film star slave walk-
ed out of court a free woman.

For Those Not Yet Over That Spring Feeling

ALL of you who are going to propose marriage this Easter, if it stays fine, should know that there are but five ways to a woman's heart.

It's just a matter of psychology. Adapt your approach to your personality. You must woo her in the way that suits you. Here are the five ways.

(1) The "SOFT-LIGHTS AND-SWEET MUSIC" or Plain Romantic Way.

To do this you should have honest grey eyes and be enormously clean-limbed. If you have a steady job as well, that's even better.

You wait six months at least, then you find some spot where there is music in the distance, and a clock that strikes midnight.

Your proposal must be ever so tender and true. Perhaps a catch in the voice will help, and a firm grip of the hand. Everything must be very much aboveboard.

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(2) The "SWEEP-EM-OFF-THEIR-FEET" or Hurricane Way.

This is for men over 6ft. Very little men who try hurricane stuff are making a mistake.

One great advantage of the Hurricane Way is that you don't need to be good at anything, except being like a hurricane. You don't even need to be able to read.

From the first meeting to the proposal you should allow a week at the outside. A hurricane that hangs fire is a flop. Besides she mustn't have time to discover what a slab of mutton you really are.

Your proposal, when it comes, should be modelled on a sergeant-major calling out a fatigue party.

You have a fair chance with this method, if you've got the physique, because so many women adore being ordered about.

(3) The "LET-ME-TAKE-YOU-AWAY - FROM - ALL - THIS" or Financial Way.

I have never had a chance to use this myself because you need a car, a flat and a place in the country. At least you must be able to talk as if you had.

Then you find a nice girl, younger and poorer than you are, and wear her down with dignified kindness. The proposal occurs in the cars, the flat or the place in the country.

You must only use this way if the flat, car and place in the country are real. If they are only hired, the wife kicks up hell afterwards.

GOOD FOR THE SOUL?

(4) The "I'VE-BEEN-A-BAD-BOY" or Confessional Route.

This is a snorter. Women love it. But you have to have something worthwhile to confess, and you've got to be prepared to lay your head on her bosom and have the damn thing stroked.

You can even murmur: "Perhaps it would be best if you never saw me again."

This gives the woman a chance to feel big, and to reform you:

which is pretty nearly woman's idea of heaven.

(5) The "I'VE-TRAVELLED-ROUND-A-BIT" or Worldly Way.

For this, you've got to be casual about Calcutta, and order lunch in French. You should exude savoir-faire and have a certain je ne sais quoi.

Your very proposal must bring back to you the Gemeinschaft of your youth, and to her the flavour of Spanish onions.

But don't spoil it by choosing Brighton for the honeymoon.

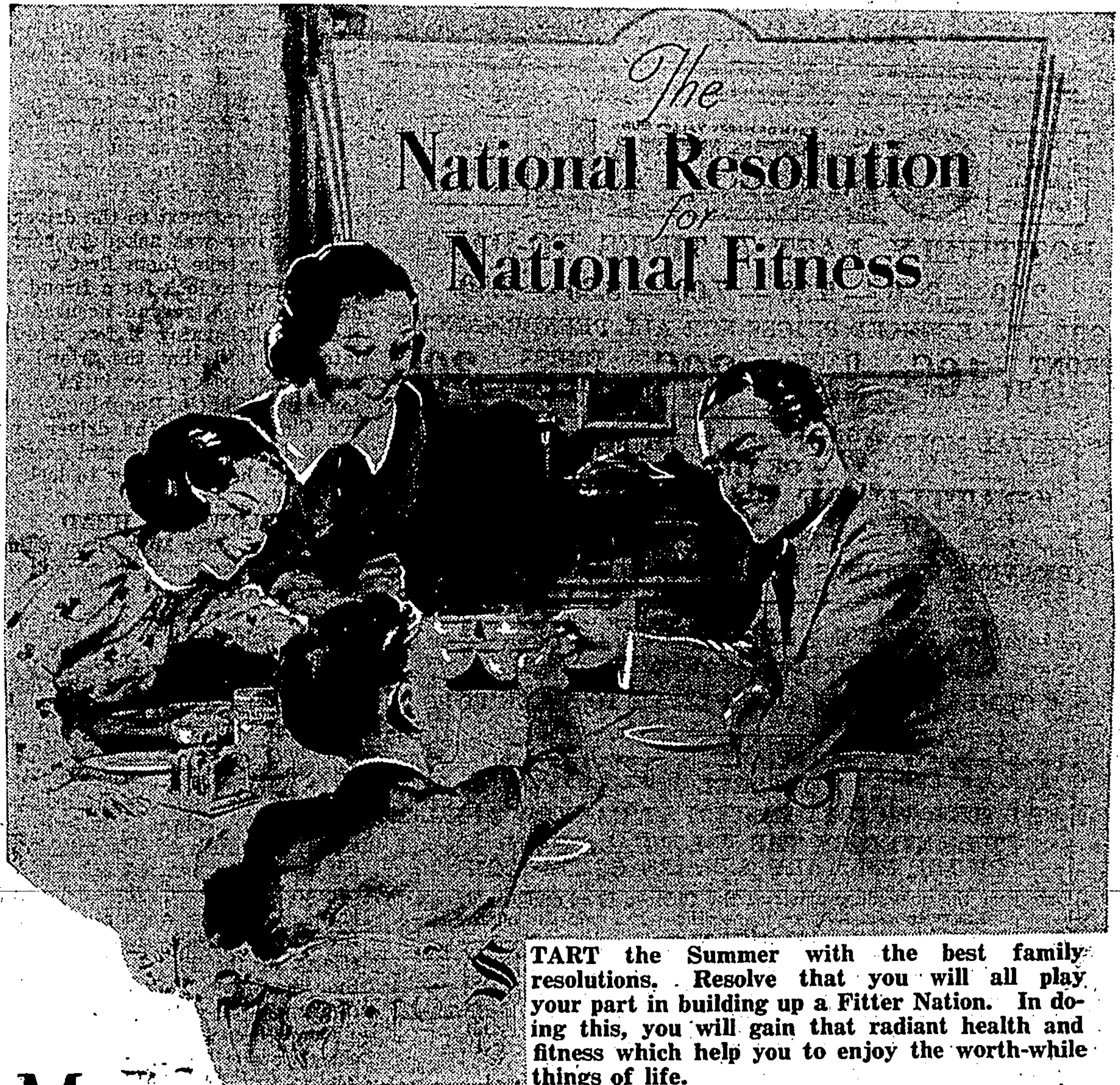
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So there you are. Fit your proposal to your character if you want to get engaged.

TEXT

"Man is distinguished from the beasts by his practices of drinking when he is not thirsty — and of making love at all seasons." — Beaumarchais.

But if you want to be popular with women, don't propose at all. Treat them shamefully. Beat them. You will find that they love you so much they'll come round and propose to you.



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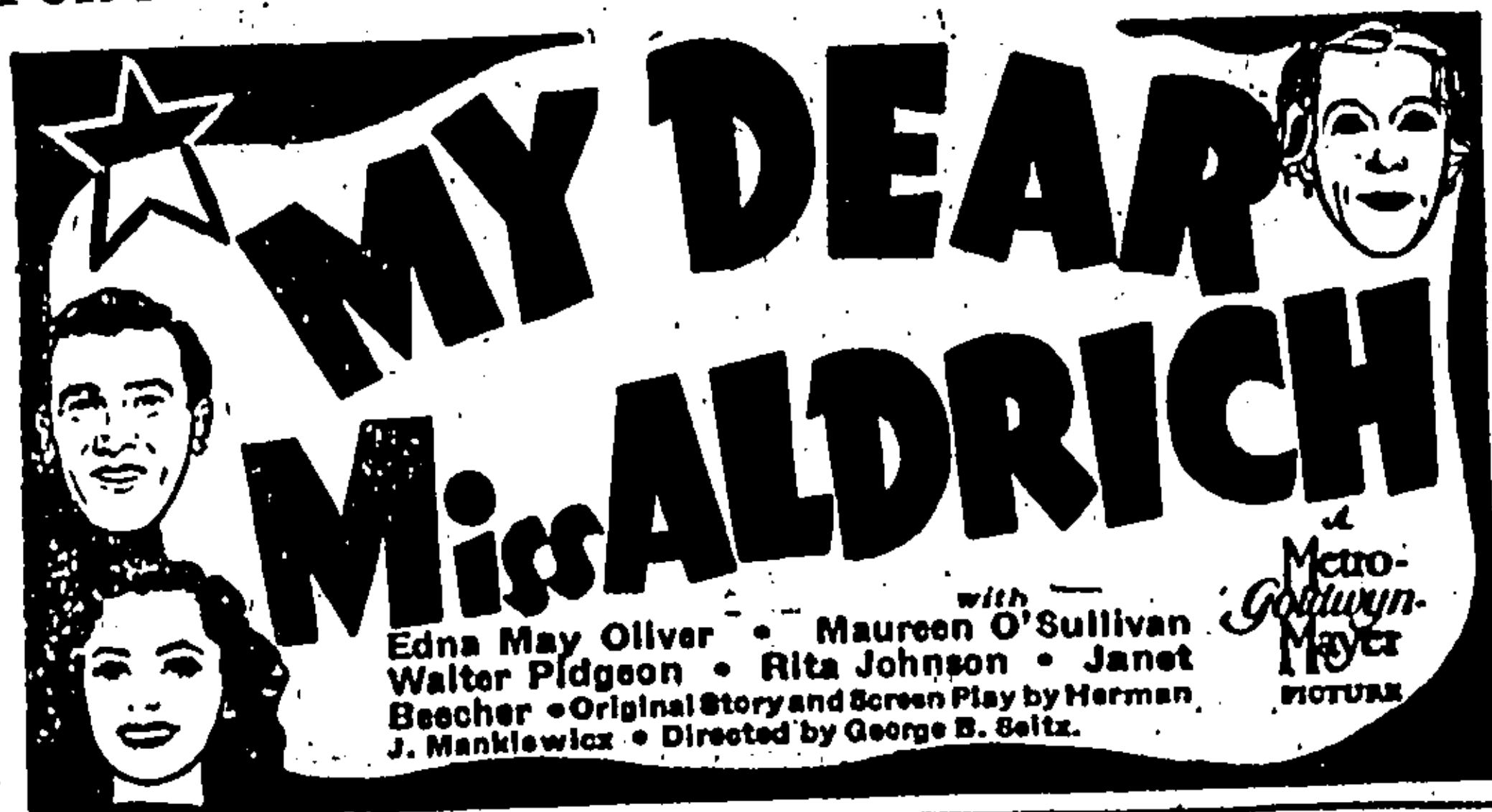
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**King's Tour
Of North**

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In opening the extension of the Manchester Town Hall yesterday on the second day of his Lancashire tour, the King recalled the foundation stone was laid in July, 1934, by his father. Rain fell during the drive which the King and Queen made in the afternoon through Salford, Eccles, Warrington and St. Helens, but the size of the crowds which cheered their Majesties seem-

**CHRYSLER AND
FORD ACCUSED**

Washington, To-day.

The Department of Justice is instituting proceedings against the Chrysler and Ford motor corporations under the Anti-Trust Laws.

The companies will be charged with coercing car dealers by requiring that car purchases be financed by their affiliated companies. —Reuter.

ed to be unaffected. —British Wire-

**TAXI CAB
INCIDENT IN
TERRITORIES**

A 15-year-old La Salle College student, Tam Wang-tat, alias Tam Kwai-wai, alias Walter Thompson, and a 17-year-old Portuguese youth, Albert Joseph Maria Xavier, were arraigned before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at Criminal Sessions this morning, charged with assaulting a taxi-driver on April 28 last with the intent to rob the man of his money.

The La Salle College student admitted taking part in the assault, but denied that he had the intention to rob the man. The Portuguese lad pleaded guilty.

According to Mr. Williams, Crown Counsel, the Blue Taxicabs, Ltd. received a message at 9.45 p.m. on April 28 for a car to go to No. 4, Lion Rock Road. A taxi was sent to the address and on arriving at the door two accused came down, Xavier taking the rear seat while Tam sat next to the driver.

The driver was asked by second accused to take them first to Fuk Wah Street to look for a friend. On arriving there, second accused left the car. Returning a few minutes later, he said that the friend was out. The party continued their journey to Shatin. Reaching Sheung Wo Che Village, the driver was asked to stop, by second accused, who said he was going to look for a friend.

BLOWS ON HEAD

A few minutes later, Tam returned and he was heard to remark that the friend had gone to Hong Kong. Instead of reoccupying his seat next to the driver, Tam joined Xavier at the back. After talking for some time, one of them told the driver they would wait for the friend until midnight. The driver closed his eyes but did not fall sleep. Shortly after midnight, the driver suddenly received two blows on the head and felt himself being attacked. He struck out with all his might, and his assailants jumped out of the car and ran away. The driver followed, but after a short chase, returned to the car owing to the effects of the blows. He went to the Shatin railway station and communicated with the Police.

Counsel continued that certain clues were left in the taxi, and following investigations second accused was brought to the Police Station by his mother on May 2. He was formally charged and in reply put all the blame on Xavier, at whose instructions, he said, the assault was carried out in order to escape the consequences of being unable to pay the fare.

The case is continuing.

**JAPANESE
CONCENTRATION
NEAR MACAO**

Hankow, To-day.

The concentration of Japanese warships and military transports off the coast of Macao is confirmed by reports received here to-day.

According to the reports, 12 enemy war vessels and seven transports are anchored at a point southwest of the Portuguese Colony.

More Japanese marines, it is stated, have landed at Sancho Island off the Chungshan coast. —Central News.

**OIL FROM COAL
DEVELOPMENT
IN BRITAIN**

London, To-day.

Recommendations in the Report published last February of the sub-committee of the Committee of Imperial Defence presided over by Lord Falmouth and appointed by the Minister for Co-ordination of Defence to consider the home production of oil in relation to economic possibilities and to security have been accepted by the government.

In announcing this decision to the Commons at question time, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said that provision was accordingly being made in the Finance Bill to give effect to the recommendation for the extension for a period of 12 years of the guaranteed preference of 8d per gallon on home produced motor spirit and diesel oil for use in road vehicles, subject to the adjustments recommended by the Committee.

He added that acceptance of the recommendation concerning the extension of the scope of tests on low temperature carbonisation plants carried out by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research was subject to consideration of the practicable limits to which such tests could be carried. — British Wireless.

**FRENCH REPORT
DENIED**

London, To-day.

A statement in a Paris despatch to the "Manchester Guardian" that the British Government had informed the French Government of its intention to officially recognise Italian conquest of Abyssinia within the next few days, is authoritatively denied here.

A communique issued in this connection calls attention to Mr. Chamberlain's recent speech declaring that recognition of the Italian Empire would take place only after settlement of the Spanish question. —Trans-Ocean.

**FRENCH ORDER
ON FRONTIER**

Paris, To-day.

The Minister of Interior, M. Sarraut, has issued instructions to frontier guards on the Pyrenean border that opening of the frontier to Spanish refugees is not contemplated by the French Government under any circumstances.

On the contrary, frontier guards will be increased especially in order to prevent members of the International Brigade in Republican Spain from crossing into France.

Frontier control will be rendered more stringent in future. —Trans-Ocean.

HEALTH RETURN

Another case of typhus imported into the Colony was reported to the Health Department yesterday.

In the last 24 hours, only two smallpox cases, both in Kowloon, were notified.

SHARP QUESTIONS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS ON BRITISH SPAIN POLICY

London, To-day.

The Spanish situation and the negotiations recently begun at Rome between the Italian and French Governments were the subject of several Commons questions, answered by the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, and the answers, in turn, gave rise to a lively interchange of supplementaries.

Mr. Arthur Henderson (Labour) asked, in view of Signor Mussolini's reference at Genoa to the Spanish war and Franco-Italian negotiations, for an assurance that His Majesty's Government would support the French Government in resisting Italian pressure to change French policy towards the Spanish Government.

Mr. Butler replied: "Mr. Henderson may rest assured that the good offices of His Majesty's Government are always at the disposal of the French and Italian Governments, should they desire them, with a view to expediting a settlement of the Spanish situation."

DRIVING A WEDGE

Mr. Henderson: "In view of the fact that the policies of the French Government and His Majesty's Government in relation to Spain are the same, does His Majesty's Government intend to allow the Italian Government to drive a wedge between them on this question?" Mr. Butler: "I do not necessarily accept the interpretation Mr. Henderson puts on Mussolini's speech and I cannot, therefore, give the assurance he desires."

Replying to another question by Mr. P. I. Noel-Baker, (Labour), who wished to know whether he could define the circumstances in which His Majesty's Government would consider a settlement of the Spanish question had been arrived at Mr. Butler said he could not go further than the statement made by the Prime Minister on May 2nd.

MUSSOLINI DEFINITION

Mr. Noel Baker: "Do the government accept or repudiate the definition Mussolini has now given, that there must be a victory for Franco before a settlement can be arrived at."

Mr. Butler: "Government policy is given by the Prime Minister and not by anybody else."

Answering a further supplementary by the Opposition Leader, Mr. Butler said: "The Prime Minister's refusal to define what was meant by settlement stands as it did in the debate on May 2nd when he said it may be that later on we shall get nearer the time when we shall be able to give a definition. That time is not yet," added Mr. Butler.

PREMIER'S INTERVIEW

A question by Mr. Wedgewood Benn (Labour) referred to an interview between the Premier and the Italian Ambassador in February and asked in what terms Mr. Chamberlain had explained the meaning of words "a settlement in Spain" in that conversation.

Mr. Butler replied: "The conversation between the Italian Ambassador and the Prime Minister was private and he is not prepared to answer questions as to its nature. The Right Honourable member must not assume that the Prime Minister gave an explanation of the words cited in his question."—British Wireless.

BRITISH CIVIL AIR SERVICES' EXTENSION

London, To-day.

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Additional financial assistance to be given on the routes outside Europe will amount to about £1,000,000, and a greater part of it will be concentrated on the Empire routes. As to European routes, the Minister stated some £4,000,000 would be devoted to improved services. Daily British services were already in operation to Paris, Brussels, Copenhagen and Stockholm. Rome was already served by the Empire route. It was now planned to establish daily services

Additionally to Berlin, Amsterdam, Prague, Vienna, Budapest, Oslo and Lisbon, and an all the year round service to Switzerland.

Sir Kingsley Wood also spoke of plans for the development of a medium-weight all-metal air-liner which would be on the market early next year and of other types to the longer European and Trans-Atlantic routes.

He announced a subsidy to internal air services of £100,000.

The Opposition moved the rejection of the Bill on the grounds that air transport should be nationalised. The second reading was carried by 173 votes to 108.—British Wireless.

LEAGUE COUNCIL DEBATE

London, To-day.

Proceedings at the recent meeting of the League Council may be raised on the adjournment of the Commons to night.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer in an answer foreshadowed that, in that event and in the absence of the Prime Minister, owing to whose indisposition the air debate previously fixed for to-day has been postponed, he, Sir John Simon, would make a statement.—British Wireless.

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CHANGCHOW BOMBED

Swatow, To-day.

Twelve Japanese planes raided Changchow, west of Amoy on the mainland, yesterday, killing civilians and demolishing scores of houses. They rained 32 high explosives in all parts of the city.

Sluping and Taipu in east Kwangtung were also visited. — Central News.

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**THREE ITALIAN
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Rome, To-day.

On Sunday three new units of the Italian navy will be launched, namely the submarine "Beilul" at La Spezia, the torpedobomb destroyer "Corazziere" at Livorno and the torpedobomb "Calipso" at Genoa.—Trans-Ocean.

**ANTON LANG
PASSES**

Berlin, To-day.

Anton Lang, who formerly played the part of Christ in the Passion Play at Oberammergau, died in hospital in Munich yesterday after an operation.—Reuter.

The B. I. Steamship Talma will leave for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta on or about Saturday, May 21, at 10.30 a.m.

SIR KINGSLEY WOOD'S FIRST AIR SPEECH

London, To-day.

On the occasion of introduction of the Bill for financial support of civil aviation, Sir Kingsley Wood made his first speech in the House of Commons as new Air Minister yesterday.

This bill which takes the steps recommended as result of the Cadman Committee on civil aviation envisages the increase of State subventions to three million pounds sterling yearly.

The Minister declared that the increase was necessary since civil flying in all other countries was now State-supported.

In the name of the Labour opposition, Mr. F. Montague, demanded the nationalisation of civil aviation because of its national and international significance.—Trans-Ocean.

MISUSE OF CHINESE FLAG

Hankow, To-day.

A Chinese military communique issued here yesterday charges that "Japanese troops used Chinese flags and Japanese planes had Chinese emblems painted on their wings."

A Japanese detachment which advanced from Yutai towards Shanhsien, the communique declares, "used Chinese flags in order to make a surprise attack on the Chinese forces defending that sector."—Reuter.

OIL FROM COAL

London, To-day.

The Government has accepted the recommendations of the Fal-mouth Committee on production of oil from coal.—Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICAN ELECTIONS

CAPETOWN, TO-DAY.

AN EARLY SURPRISE IN THE SOUTH AFRICAN ELECTIONS WAS THE DEFEAT YESTERDAY OF MR. C. W. COULTER, DEPUTY LEADER OF THE DOMINION PARTY, BY MR. B. K. LONG, OF THE UNITED PARTY, WITH AN UNEXPECTEDLY LARGE MAJORITY IN THE CAPETOWN CONSTITUENCY.

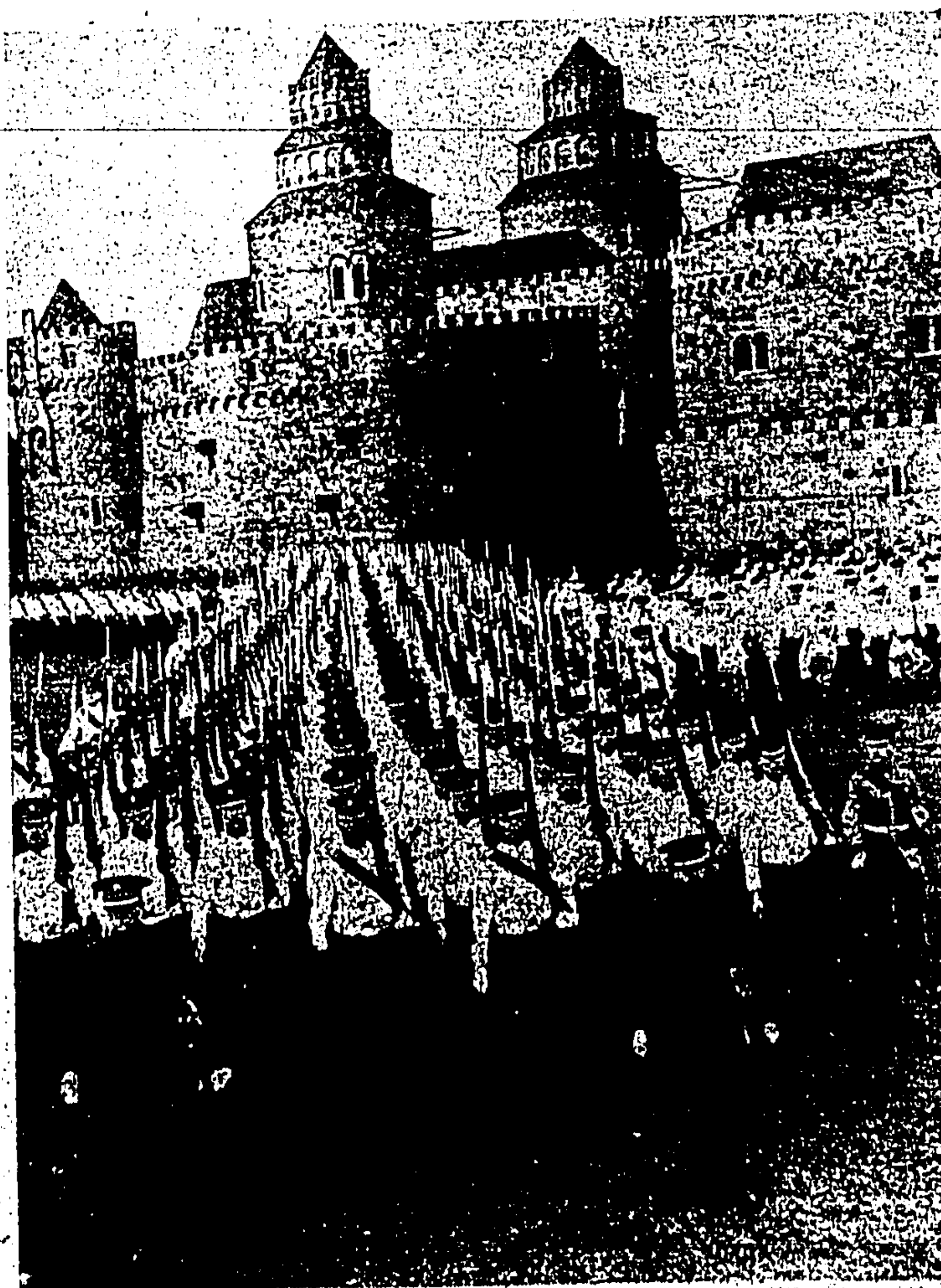
Mr. W. B. Madely, the Labour leader, was returned at Benoni against the opposition of both the United and Nationalist candidates.

Three members of the Union Cabinet so far have been re-elected, namely, Mr. J. H. Hofmeyr (Minister for Mines), Mr. O. Pirow (Minister for Railways and Defence) and Mr. R. Stuttaford (Interior).

DURBAN REVERSE

The Government suffered a slight reverse at Durban, where the strong British element defeated the two United Party candidates and elected Dominion Party representatives.

The results hitherto announced show that urban centres, except for Durban, are voting solidly for the Government, and should the rural areas follow suit, the Government is assured of a majority beyond their expectations.—Reuter.



Some 600 men of the 1st Bn. Scots Guards and 1st Bn. Welsh Guards rehearsed a display of drill at Rushmore Arena on May 7. They wore white shell jackets worn by the Brigade of Guards some 30 years ago. Photo shows a general view of the scene during the marching, showing castle in background which will be used in Aldershot Tattoo. (Copyright: By Air Mail).

OFFER OF SUZERAINTY TO "THE LION OF JUDAH"

Proposal By Lord Lugard In House Of Lords

Archbishop Of Canterbury's Doubt On Rome Pact

London, To-day.

Lord Lugard's proposal that Mussolini might conceivably be induced to offer Haile Selassie some limited area in Abyssinia, with internal autonomy under the suzerainty of Italy, was commended by the Archbishop of Canterbury during the foreign affairs debate in the House of Lords yesterday.

The Archbishop said that conceivably the proposal might be an advantage and not unwelcome to Mussolini himself, a condition of such an offer being that Haile Selassie would be prepared to forego the title of Emperor and undertaking to do his utmost to restrain organised fighting under recognised chiefs.

Earlier in his speech, the Archbishop of Canterbury said that nobody viewed with deeper repugnance the Italian invasion of Abyssinia but no good purpose would be served by recriminations and lamentations.

There was much in the Anglo-Italian Agreement that many disliked, but it was at least a step towards lessening the fear of decreasing confidence in Europe.

He had never made a speech in that House with more distaste but he could not believe it was a sacrifice of principles to expediency.

NOT CONSCIOUS

He was not conscious of having made any bargain between his conscience and Mephistopheles.

The Bishop of Durham strongly denounced recognition of the Italian conquest.

Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, replying, said the fact that the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishop of Durham took fundamentally different views on the morality of the question, showed to a humble layman like himself the great difficulty of discovering the objective truth.

Lord Halifax repeated the main points of his speech last week at Geneva.

ITALY'S RESPONSIBILITY

As regards the proposal to establish Haile Selassie in Ethiopia, while there was no objection as far as the British Government was concerned, it was a matter for the Italian Government and Haile Selassie to decide in the light of their interests and responsibilities.

"Provided we are satisfied, as we are, that Italy does not mean to use Spain to alter the status quo, when the struggle is over, there is no reason why the fact that a strong Italian view on one side conflicts with the strong view of large British sections on the other, should preclude us from improving relations with them over a wide international field.

A BEGINNING

"By the Italian Agreement we have made a beginning towards peace, and we are resolved to seize every opportunity to develop it.

"We would like to see removed

all causes of mistrust between ourselves and Germany, a view shared by the mass of people in both countries."

Lord Halifax finally argued that to talk about the inevitability of war was dangerous and essentially untrue.

AT GENEVA

He declared that he had found at Geneva the representatives of France, the Little and Balkan Ententes, Belgium and Poland, all warmly testifying to the significance of the Anglo-Italian Agreement.

No voice was raised in criticism, so the Labour Opposition was almost alone in Europe in condemning what the Government tried to do.

Were the Opposition in the Government's place they would be following a policy that would not greatly differ from the Government's.

EXPERIENCE IN INDIA

He was Viceroy of India under a Socialist Government when India passed through the most disturbing times, and no Government could have given any Viceroy more loyal and more whole-hearted support than he had received from the Labour Party.

Therefore he was never tempted to think that the Socialist Party with the responsibility of office, would fail in its duty as custodians of the wider interests of the British Commonwealth.

Lord Halifax concluded by appealing for national unity.—Reuter

LABOUR MOTION

The debate on foreign affairs was initiated in the Lords by the Opposition leader, Lord Snell, who moved "In the opinion of this House, the foreign policy of the Government which includes the acceptance of the sacrifice of Abyssinian independence and is detrimental to the democratic government of Spain offers no certainty of any compensating gain to the principles of peace and democracy."

Later, Lord Brocket moved an amendment: "This House approves the foreign policy of the Government, including the proposed Anglo-Italian agreement and the

MEXICAN MINISTER GOES TO PARIS

London, To-day.

As a result of Mexico's breaking off of diplomatic relations with Great Britain, the Mexican Legation in London has been closed.

The Mexican Minister left for Paris yesterday, and the archives of the Legation remain in charge of the consul-general.—Reuter.

ROME CREDENTIALS

Rome, To-day.

The new Swedish Minister, Carl Einar Thure, and the new Finnish Minister, Rafael Waldemar Erick, were received in audience by King Victor Emmanuel yesterday when they handed over their credentials made out to the "King of Italy and Emperor of Ethiopia." — Trans-Ocean.

SUN FO IN MOSCOW

Moscow, To-day.

The President of the Chinese Legislative Yuan, Dr. Sun Fo arrived here on Tuesday and was received in special audience by Kalinin in order to resume the negotiations with the Soviet Government begun four months ago.—Trans-Ocean.

maintenance of the policy of non-intervention in Spain, both of which the House recognises as making substantial contributions to the peace of world without any sacrifice of democratic principles.—British Wireless.

AMOY ATROCITIES

London, To-day.

Mr. Butler, replying to a Commons question about the reported wholesale shooting of Chinese prisoners and the machine-gunning of boats containing Chinese women and children during the recent attack by the Japanese on the island of Amoy, said he had no official reports that boats containing Chinese women and children were machine-gunned, but a number of Chinese soldiers were taken prisoners and shot on Amoy Bund by the Japanese.

He declared His Majesty's Government cannot too strongly deplore and condemn such a violation of the Hague Conventions.—British Wireless.

RECRUITING FOR THE ARMY

London, To-day.

In a speech in connection with the Royal Tournament which opens to-day, the War Secretary described a great increase in army recruiting.

He said the normal weekly intake into the Regular Army at this time of year has been round four hundred for many years but in recent weeks it had risen to nearly 700.

As to the Territorials, the results of the last two months had surpassed all records. Recruits for April had exceeded those for any single month since the force was created.—British Wireless.

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LORD PERTH INTERVENES

Interest In Italo-French Tension Inferred

CABINET MEETS AT NO. 10

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister presided at the first of the weekly meetings of the Cabinet to be held since the Ministerial changes were announced on Monday.

It is understood that Mr. Chamberlain, who has not been beyond the doors of No. 10 for some days owing to a severe attack of gout, is considerably better.—British Wireless.

CHILDREN HAVE YOU ENTERED FOR THE SNOW WHITE CONTEST?

See Page 2.

SPAAK GETS VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

Brussels, To-day.

The Chamber of Deputies yesterday passed a vote of confidence in the new Spaak Government by 132 votes to 38.—Reuter.

NON-VOLUNTEER IN UNIFORM

Abdul A. Rumjahn, aged 18, unemployed, was this morning fined \$25 by Mr. H. R. Butters, at the Central Magistracy, for wearing the uniform of a private of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, without the authority of and not being a member of the Corps.

Capt. Hedgecoe, the Adjutant of the Corps, was the Complainant.

MIXED REPORTS ON DEGREE OF GRAVITY OF SITUATION

Rome, To-day.

Lord Perth, the British Ambassador, had a meeting with Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister yesterday.

Although authoritative quarters describe the meeting as of a routine nature, it is believed to have been connected with the Italo-French tension. This is stated to have arisen owing to Italian belief that France is supplying large quantities of arms and munitions to the Barcelona Government.

It is argued that this help is prolonging the Spanish war while Italian hands are tied through the new agreement with Britain.

No meeting has yet occurred between Count Ciano and M. Blondel, the French charge d'affaires.

Meanwhile the Italian press yesterday published a strong attack on France, the newspapers reporting that quantities of aeroplanes, arms and men are passing over the frontier from France into Spain.—Reuter.

Paris, To-day.

Reports understood to be current in Italy to the effect that M. Georges Bonnet (French Foreign Minister) gave an assurance to Senor del Vayo (Spanish Foreign Minister) at Geneva that the Franco-Spanish frontier would not be closed to the passage of arms into Spain, are denied here.

The reports are described as another rumour circulated in order to create difficulties for the Franco-Italian negotiations.

According to well-informed quarters the talks have not been broken off, and the question of the Franco-Spanish frontier has never been discussed in the Rome conversations between Count Ciano and M. Blondel.—Reuter.

NORMAL COURSE

Paris, To-day.

The Franco-Italian negotiations are running a normal course, according to political circles here last night, denying the rumours current abroad to the effect that the French Charge d'Affaires, M. Blondel had received instructions to express to Count Ciano the surprise of the French Government at certain passages of Mussolini's last speech.

It is further declared that immediately after the Duce's speech at Genoa, M. Blondel informed the Italian Government that France is still prepared to continue the negotiations in the same conciliatory spirit as had ruled during the Anglo-Italian negotiations.

Nevertheless Quai d'Orsay circles admit that the French Government certainly wishes to receive assurances from Italy regarding the Spanish question.

FRENCH VIEW

The Government's point of view on this question is that the French Government is ready to restore the international control on the Franco-Spanish frontier on the condition that international control is simultaneously restored on the Spanish-Portuguese frontier and after an international commission appointed by the London non-intervention Committee has actually begun its

ask in Spain of withdrawing the foreign volunteers from both sides.—Trans-Ocean.

Paris, To-day.

While French official quarters display a certain optimism regarding the prospects of the Franco-Italian negotiations, papers here yesterday morning admitted that serious difficulties have arisen.

The fact that the conference between the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano and the French Charge d'Affaires in Rome, M. Blondel, which was announced for yesterday, did not take place, was considered an ill omen.

The Rome correspondent of the "Journal" reports that the Italian Foreign Minister did not even try to get into contact with M. Blondel since his return from Genoa, where he accompanied the Duce.

TRANSIT AGREEMENT

Referring to Mussolini's Genoa speech the "Journal" points out that the recent carrying into effect of the Blum Government's transit agreement with Spain, which provides for the passage of goods destined for Spain through French ports and French territory, is hardly likely to have made a favourable impression on the Duce or increased the latter's desire to come to an understanding with France.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITAIN WORRIED

London, To-day.

The hitch which has occurred in Franco-Italian negotiations, is causing a good deal of apprehension in London political circles and it is being freely hinted that the British Government would be prepared to act the part of the mediator. Lord Perth, the British Ambassador, had a lengthy conversation with Count Ciano yesterday. The visit which the French Ambassador in London, M. Corbin, paid yesterday to the Chairman of the Nonintervention Committee, is likewise thought to have to do with the obstacles that have arisen in the Spanish question.

It is understood that the French Ambassador gave the Chairman of the Committee a renewed assurance of the willingness of his government to collaborate in the effort to reach an early settlement of the non-intervention question. Only recently, M. Corbin made known the decision of his government to hold up and to enlarge the British plan for the solution of the volunteer question and also to agree to a re-establishment of the control of the Franco-Spanish frontier.—Trans-Ocean.



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MINORITY STATUTE DISCUSSION

Prague, To-day.

The Nationalities Statute drafted by the Czechoslovak Government on basis of the British and French representations, does not provide for autonomy of the Sudeten Germans but only for parity of rights, Trans-Ocean learns from the best informed source.

Political circles raised the question yesterday whether the granting of such parity would correspond to the formula recommended by Britain and France, namely fulfilment of Sudeten German claims up to the limit marked by the sovereignty and integrity of the Czechoslovak state.

It is pointed out here that the Sudeten German leader, Konrad Henlein, in his recent Karlsbad speech demanded complete autonomy of the Sudeten Germans but that the Czechoslovak Government seems not to be inclined to go to such an extent in order to meet the wishes of the German population.

Sudeten German circles display the greatest satisfaction with the result of Henlein's recent journey to London and state that the English press comments indicated the sympathy with which the explanations of Henlein have been met in London.—Trans-Ocean.

Von Fritsch Tale Denied

Berlin, To-day.

The report of a French news agency that the former commander-in-chief of the German army, General von Fritsch has been ordered by the government to take up his residence in a castle near Hanover, is officially declared to be without foundation.

An official statement points out that General von Fritsch owns an estate in Lueneburg Heath, where he occasionally stays.

The assertion that the General has been placed in confinement on that estate or elsewhere is pure invention. The General, it is declared, is of course at liberty to stay wherever he likes.—Trans-Ocean.

MAHMOUD TAKES OVER FINANCE

Cairo, To-day.

Mahmoud Pasha decided yesterday to take over the post of Minister of Finance which was left vacant by the resignation of Sidky Pasha.

The Ministry of Interior which hitherto has also been directed by the Premier, is taken over by Loufty el Sayed.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH LOAN TO TURKEY

London, To-day.

An Anglo Turkish credit agreement, providing for the granting of a British loan of £16,000,000, to Turkey, was concluded in London yesterday.

Details of the conditions of the loan are not yet known.—Trans-Ocean.

Heavy Fine On Evicting Landlord

LAU YICK-CHEUK, LANDLORD OF NO. 134, KENNEDY ROAD, WAS THIS MORNING FINED \$500 WHEN A REPRESENTATIVE PLEADED GUILTY TO A SUMMONS OF HAVING SUPPLIED A FALSE OR INCORRECT RETURN OF AN ASSESSMENT FORM BY STATING THAT THE RENT OF THE SECOND FLOOR OF NO. 134 KENNEDY ROAD WAS \$80 WHEREAS IT WAS \$90.

Tong Kwai-fun, brother-in-law of defendant, pleaded guilty, stating that defendant was not in the Colony.

Mr. M. J. Abbott, who prosecuted, said that Lau Yick-cheuk was the actual man who signed the returns as they were signed both in English and Chinese.

Before Mr. Butters imposed the fine, Mr. Abbott said that this was the first case of its kind for many years and the first to his knowledge.

Mr. S. W. Clark had been tenant of the premises since August 15 and had been paying a rent of \$90. The form was sent out on December 31 and returned, duly filled, on January 11 showing the rent to be \$80. When Mr. Clark was given notice to quit the premises in January he first offered to pay \$105 and on April 14, \$126, an increase of 40 per cent., but this was refused and last Friday at the Supreme Court. Mr. Clark was ordered to vacate the flat within 21 days.

ASKED FOR REDUCTION!

On April 23, Mr. Lau called at the Assessor's office asking for a reduction of the assessment as it was impossible to obtain more than \$70 or \$80 a month, whereas a week before he had an offer of \$126. That amounted to a very serious attempt to confuse Mr. J. Ring, Assessor of Rates. Making a false declaration regarding rent was just as serious an attempt to defraud Government of revenue as the evading of Stamp duty. He believed that there were many cases of this sort in the Colony and this was the first one detected, and he would ask his Worship to impose a fine which will show Mr. Lau that he could not do this sort of thing and have an effect on others.

EVICITION

Sir,—The Government has offered to receive complaints re-increase of rents but Chinese psychology is such that less than 5% of those "soaked" will be bold enough to make complaint being afraid that they may be evicted if they do. Will Government make it clear in the Chinese papers that all complaints reported will be kept private and confidential?

Eviction is the shield for profiteering. Once an old tenant is evicted, the landlord can charge a new tenant any rental he pleases. I may mention some houses in Kowloon. They were sold a year ago for \$8500.00. The income on rental was \$100 per month, water to be paid for by the tenants. This landlord, therefore, secured more than 10% on outlay. On account of the influx of refugees the gross rental has been raised to nearly \$200 per month. Is this not profiteering? Yet the landlord has given notice to tenants to quit aiming for another increase, I presume. Does Government not think it high time to give some sort of relief to the sufferers?

ONLOOKER.

SIR KINGSLEY MEETS AIRCRAFT MAKERS

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE BRITISH AIR MINISTER, SIR KINGSLEY WOOD, HAD YESTERDAY EVENING HIS FIRST MEETING, SINCE HIS APPOINTMENT TO THE NEW CABINET POST, WITH LEADING MEN OF THE BRITISH AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY TO DISCUSS WITH THEM THE NECESSITIES OF BRITISH REARMAMENT IN THE AIR.

The aircraft makers had the opportunity of informing the new Air Minister what, in their opinion, would be the best methods of dealing with the problem on a practical basis.

It was agreed that in the interest of a frictionless development of the aircraft production programme, similar exchanges of opinion on fundamental issues would be arranged from time to time.—Trans-Ocean.

COUNCIL MEETING

Sir Kingsley Wood, new Secretary for Air, made personal contact with leading aircraft manufacturers when he took advantage of a routine meeting of the Council of the Society of British Aircraft Constructors to pay a visit and hear the views of the industry on the production problems of Royal Air Force expansion.—British Wireless.

AUTHORITARIAN DEMOCRACY FOR BELGIUM

Brussels, To-day.

Following the debate on the Government's declaration of policy, the Belgian Chamber expressed its confidence in the new Government of Paul Spaak.

The majority was a quite substantial one as 132 Deputies voted in support of the Government and only 38 against whilst 15 Deputies abstained from voting.

The Rexists, Flemish Nationalists and Communists voted against the Government.

Uncertainty with regard to the new Government's policy towards Nationalist Spain caused the Conservative Catholics to withhold their support.

"An authoritarian Democracy is the goal of my Government's policy," declared Paul Spaak, the new Belgian Premier in course of the preceding debate. He also referred to the Belgian regime of the last few years as a caricature of Democracy.—Trans-Ocean.

100 PLANES MONTHLY FROM CANADA

London, To-day.

The "Daily Express" asserts that contracts providing for delivery of 100 planes per month will be shortly placed by the British Air Ministry in Canada.

The Canadian aircraft manufacturers, says the paper, are confident that they can produce planes that can bear comparison with the production of any other country.—Trans-Ocean.

WE ARE VERY SORRY--LIMIT FOR THE PRESENT

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT FORMALLY AND SPECIFICALLY ACKNOWLEDGED ITS RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGE CAUSED TO BRITISH PROPERTY IN CHINA OWING TO THEIR MILITARY OPERATIONS.

This statement was made in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in reply to a question by Sir J. S. Wardlaw-Milne (Conservative, Kidderminster).

Mr. Butler added that consequently it has hitherto not been possible to set up machinery for assessment and liquidation of claims.—Reuter.

BORROWED UNIFORM FOR PHOTOGRAPH

In connection with the fine of \$25 or one month's imprisonment imposed on A. A. Rumjahn for wearing the uniform of a private of the Volunteers, without authority, Sergeant McKay said that three weeks ago, Captain Hedgecoe received information that a person in Volunteer uniform was wandering in the Bay View District and the Police were informed. Defendant was arrested on Tuesday night. He had borrowed the uniform from a volunteer friend to have a photograph taken and did not return same. It is believed that defendant was trying to collect money—not for the Volunteers—but there was no evidence of this.

He had been without employment for the past year and up till three weeks ago had been living with relatives who would have nothing to do with him.

Defendant pleaded guilty and said that he was not aware that it was an offence to wear the uniform. He had tried to join the Royal Engineers.

BLINDING HEADACHES MADE HER HELPLESS

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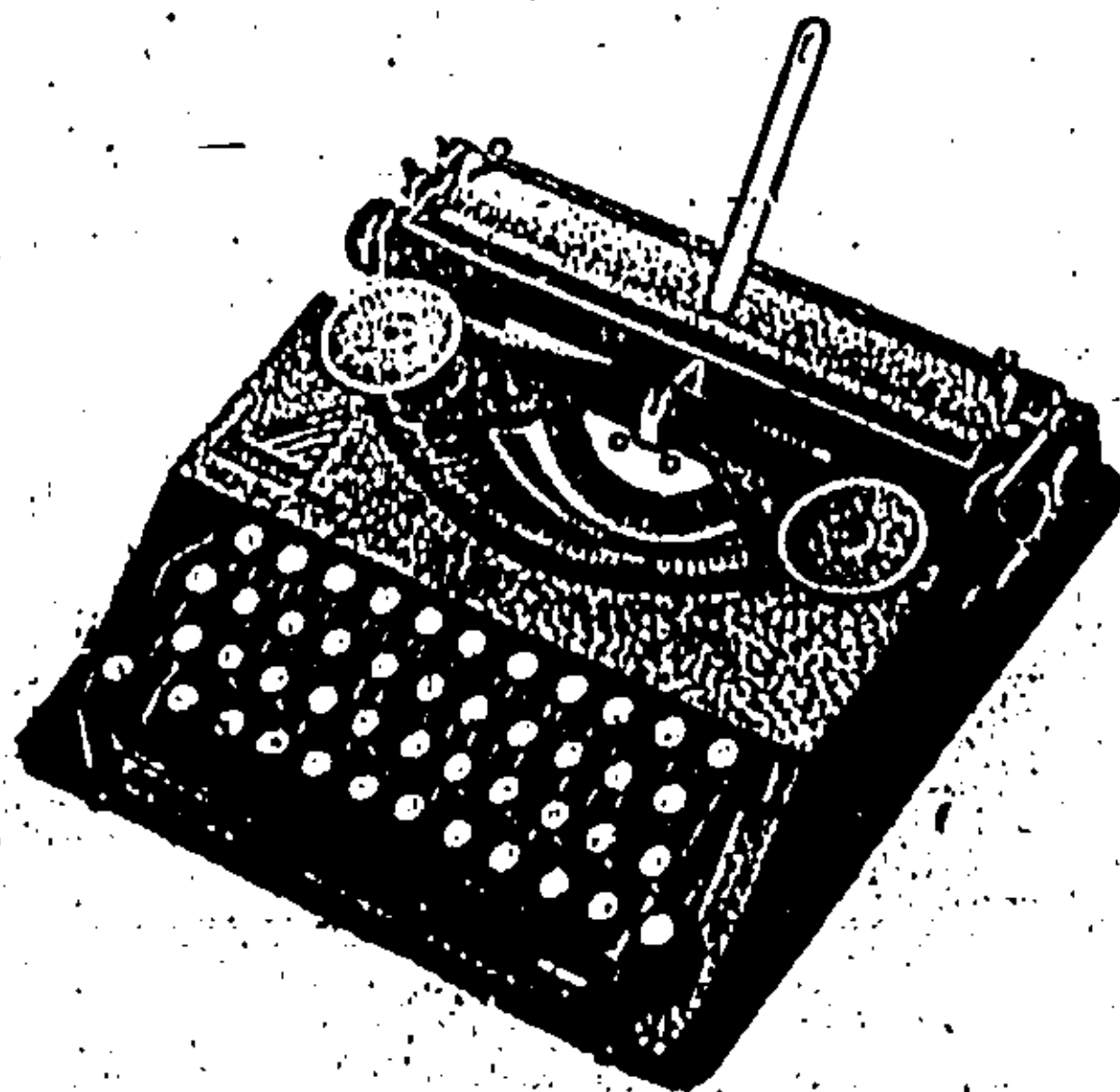
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CHOLERA AT AMOY

The outbreak of cholera in war-afflicted Amoy gives point to the warnings of the Director of Medical Services earlier this week that the Colony must prepare itself against possibility of a repetition of the severe visitation which cost so many lives last year. Conditions in Amoy could not be more serious, from Hong Kong's point of view, than they are at present. Kulangsu is swarming with refugees from Amoy Island across the harbour; health and sanitary services are woefully inadequate to meet the problem created by a trebling of its normal population in 24 hours; until the arrival of British warships there were no more than two foreign doctors in the island, which now has more than 125,000 people crowding its streets and living accommodation, built for about 40,000. An outbreak of cholera in these circumstances may well be catastrophic. This Colony is already housing some 4,000 to 5,000 refugees from Amoy and as thousands more are on the way or endeavouring to secure passage to Hong Kong, the promptitude of official action yesterday in imposing quarantine restrictions against arrivals, immediately on receipt of news of the outbreak, was commendable, if an obvious precaution. It is only by swiftness of decision such as this that there is any hope of success attending the efforts of Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke to meet the threat of trouble half-way and to avoid the errors of treatment of past epidemics which (the impression existed) were recognised as demanding drastic action only when figures jumped to heights creating general alarm. It is, however, important to recognise that the task of forestalling and combating dangerous epidemics is not solely one for the D.M.S. and his staff. Dr. Selwyn-Clarke has been in the

Colony long enough for us to realise that the Medical Department will not fail, on its part, for lack of energy. The Port Health Authorities may be relied upon to prevent cases reaching Hong Kong from outside ports, as far as human agencies can guarantee. All possible precautions may, however, be ineffective if the widespread epidemics reported in various parts of South China develop seriously in, say, Canton or the Kwangtung districts close to the New Territories border. It is imperative, therefore, that the public accept its responsibility to itself, and co-operate wholeheartedly in official suggestions concerning methods which may assist in keeping the disease away, or, if that hope is doomed to disappointment, in reducing the spread of infection to a minimum. Certain elementary safeguards, such as the frequent washing of the hands, protection of food from contamination, destruction of flies, cockroaches and ants, steering clear of street vendors with cut fruit and certain Chinese delicacies, and, finally, getting inoculated now rather than waiting until the disease is rampant, should not require to be stressed more than once. There is always the temptation to assume immunity until cases prove the contrary. It would be wiser, with memories of last year as a prod where necessary, to accept the suggestion that the Colony's good fortune will be remarkable if it does escape an outbreak this summer. Its degree of severity, or its prevention, depends in very large measure upon enlightened public self-interest.

Community Centres

Speaking recently in London at the National Conference on Community Centres, Earl Stanhope, President of the Board of Education, remarked on the particular need for these centres on new housing estates, where people, finding themselves in a new home often amid entirely strange conditions, require a counteraction to loneliness.

One can imagine that it is sometimes difficult, when a colony is thus planted whose members are strange to one another, for the English temperament to rise to the occasion. The case of Gilbert's castaways, who dared not speak without an introduction, is hardly to be relied upon as typical; but though the aloofness of the Englishman has been much exaggerated, and his manners are changing to the extent that he may one day boast that he is not only free but easy, he is still a little unwilling to admit necessity as the mother of convention.

Mrs. Grundy is not the exacting social dictatrix that she once was; but though she no longer enforces the full "rigour of the game," she has still an eye to its ritual—and she is not to be hurried by an impertinent demands to

Haste thee, nymph, and
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In the circumstances, therefore, a community centre, which sees to it that such matters are properly organised, and arranged "all ship-shape and Bristol fashion," would certainly appear to be a necessity for each of these estates. It is a notable fact here in Hong Kong that the establishment of the Kowloon Tong Club has given quite a new and pleasing atmosphere to social life in that particular district.

JAPANESE "SHELL" NON-EXISTENT WALLS

Chinese Commentary On Tokyo Hsueh Reports

Confident Spirit Reviving In Hankow

Hankow, To-day.

In contrast to the atmosphere of pessimism and uncertainty which has prevailed during the past few days in Chinese circles here regarding the situation in the Hsuehfu area, distinct signs of confidence and optimism were felt yesterday.

This change was largely due to reports that Japanese raids on the Lunghai Railway were not as serious as it was first believed.

Japanese detachments which cut the Lunghai Railway west of Hsuehfu at many points, are said to have been comprised of only a small number of men.

They were not followed up by large forces and are reported to have been quickly repulsed by Chinese troops guarding the railway line.

A Japanese detachment which appeared at Pawanshan, seven miles south-west of Hsuehfu, comprised less than 200 men.

NO CITY WALLS

Regarding reports that Japanese guns were shelling the city walls of Hsuehfu, and also that the Chinese were dynamiting the Yellow River dykes, Chinese circles point out that Hsuehfu has no city walls at present and that the old Yellow River bed is bone dry.

It has been reliably learned that large forces of Chinese are at present keeping the Lunghai Railway west of Hsuehfu clear of Japanese troops, while strong columns have been sent to attack the Japanese at Yungchen. — Reuter.

HOLDING OUT

Hankow, To-day.

In spite of very heavy Japanese aerial bombings since May 9, the Chinese forces are holding out in Chuyai, according to Chinese reports.

Japanese forces from Yutai are stated to be pushing southward to Fenhien. The Japanese column which captured Kingsien is said to have advanced southward, reaching a point approximately 12 miles north-west of Shansien.

After a severe attack by the Chinese, the Japanese were forced to retire.

CHILDREN HAVE YOU ENTERED FOR THE SNOW WHITE CONTEST?

See Page 2.

JAPANESE STILL CLAIMING

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese claim to have occupied the western outskirts of Hsuehfu at 8 o'clock this morning after an infantry charge. — Reuter.

A Japanese detachment appeared at Laihuang, a station on the Lunghai Railway east of Lanfeng, which later withdrew after being attacked from all sides. — Reuter.

LESS VIOLENT

Hankow, To-day.

Judging by sparse reports received here from the front, the fighting on the Lunghai railway was less violent yesterday.

The Chinese assert that the entire Lunghai Railway is still in possession of their troops although the railway tracks between Hsuehfu and Kaifeng are constantly bombed by Japanese airmen.

The Chinese reports stress that after the expulsion of the Japanese from Huilunchi and Hantaokow, the centre of the operations has again been shifted to Yungyeng, 50 kilometres south of Tangshan.

HSIAOHSIEN DUEL

The Chinese now admit that the Japanese reached Hsiaohsien, 30 kilometres southeast of Hsuehfu. Hsiaohsien itself, however, is still said to be in hands of Chinese troops who are offering stubborn resistance.

According to Chinese reports the town of Hsuehfu is now being shelled by Chinese batteries. The Chinese troops in the region of Hsuehfu have been greatly strengthened by the arrival of fresh reinforcements.

The situation in the Hsuehfu sector is regarded as favourable and it is expected that the town will be recaptured by Chinese troops in the near future. — Trans-Ocean.

LATEST JAPANESE COMMUNIQUE

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

JAPANESE REPORTS STATE THAT THEIR TROOPS CAPTURED CHANGCHWANG, SIX KILOMETRES FROM HSUEHCHOWFU, AT 8.10 LAST NIGHT.

An hour earlier, another Japanese column fought its way through strong Chinese positions at Suhsien and occupied the town, according to a communique issued by Japanese headquarters.

Reports state that the Japanese troops who captured Changchwang made a dash from Pawangshan under cover of artillery.

Other Japanese reports from the front declare that Japanese units are steadily advancing on Hsuehfu along the Tunghuang highway. — Reuter.

COLD-BLOODED MURDER OF JUNKMEN

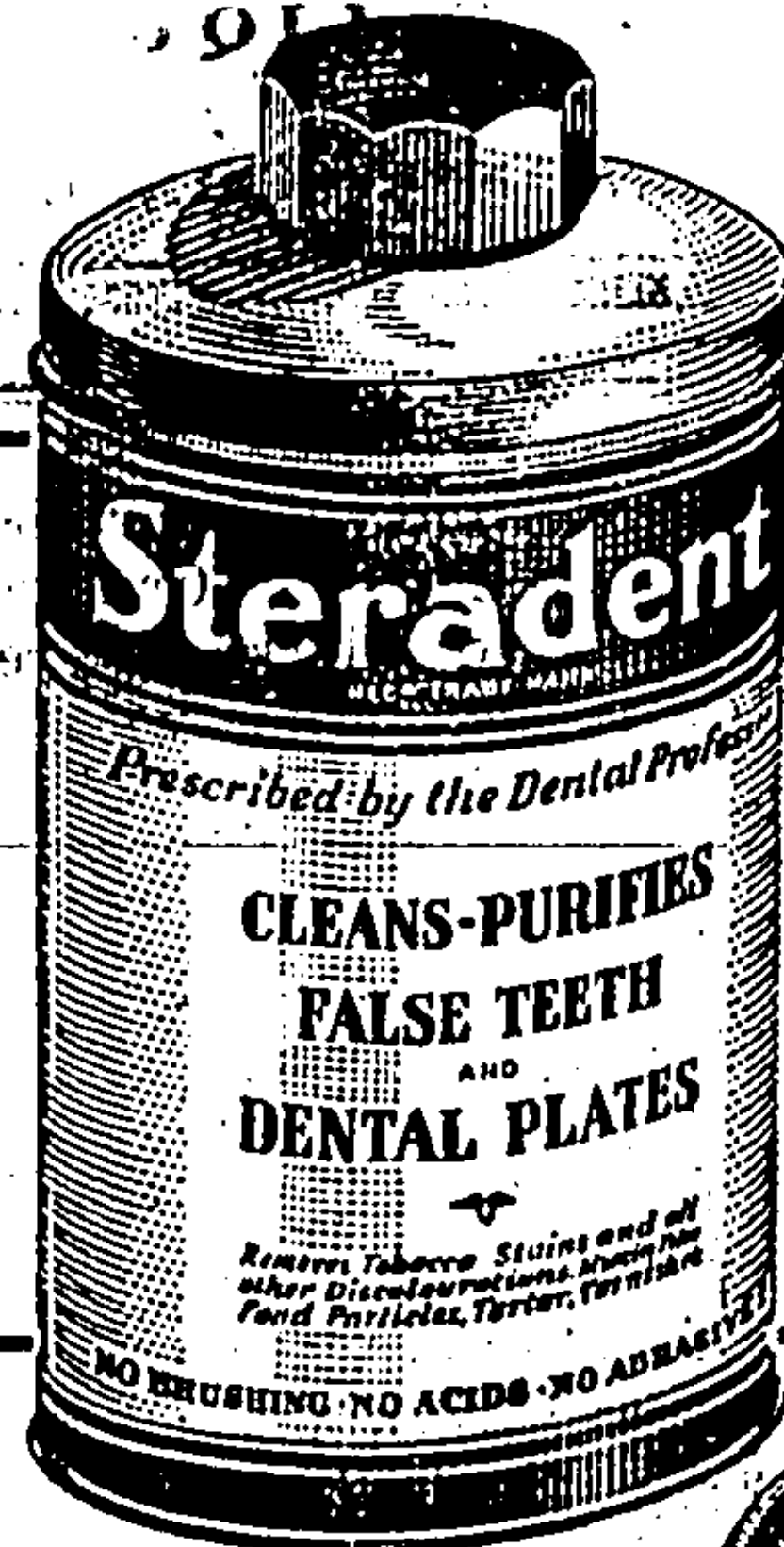
Another brutal outrage by Japanese naval contingents operating against Chinese junks in the waters surrounding Hong Kong was reported this morning.

Two men were murdered in cold blood and a third wounded. A woman escaped by hiding herself under a sail.

The incident occurred near Sai Tau in Chinese waters, when the crew of a Japanese motorboat, from a trawler, boarded one of three junks engaged in fishing, and took off three men they found on board.

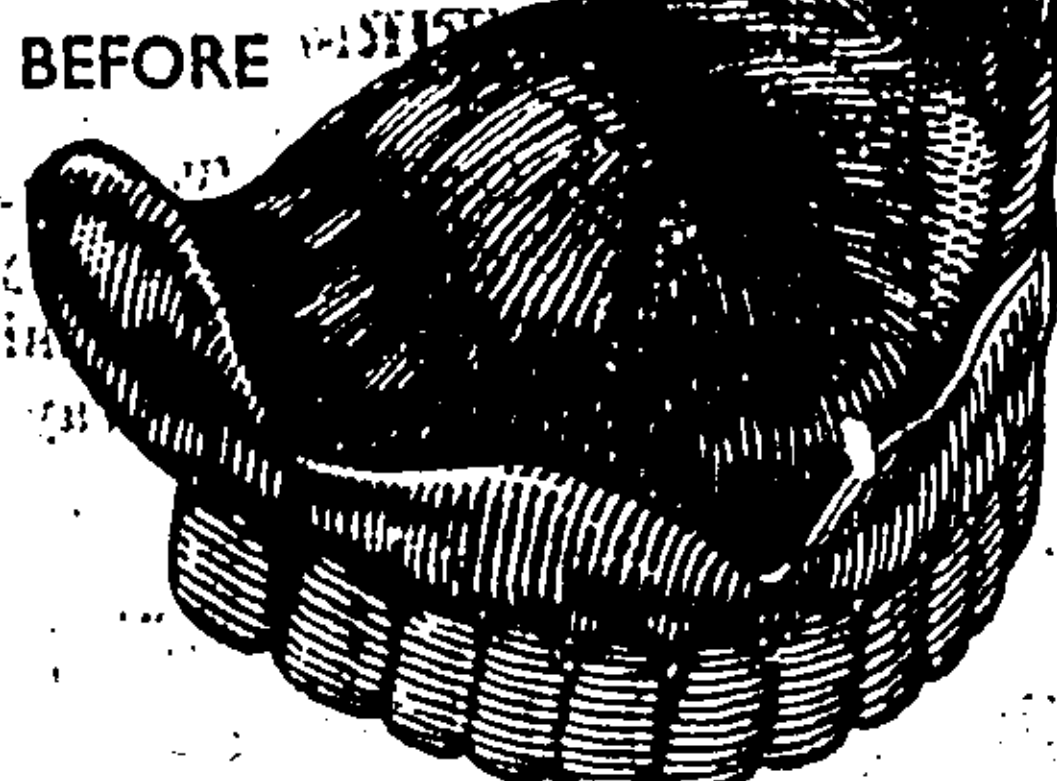
The prisoners were taken to Lin Tin Island and were later found by relatives. Two of them were dead. The third was critically wounded. He was brought to Hong Kong and is now in hospital.

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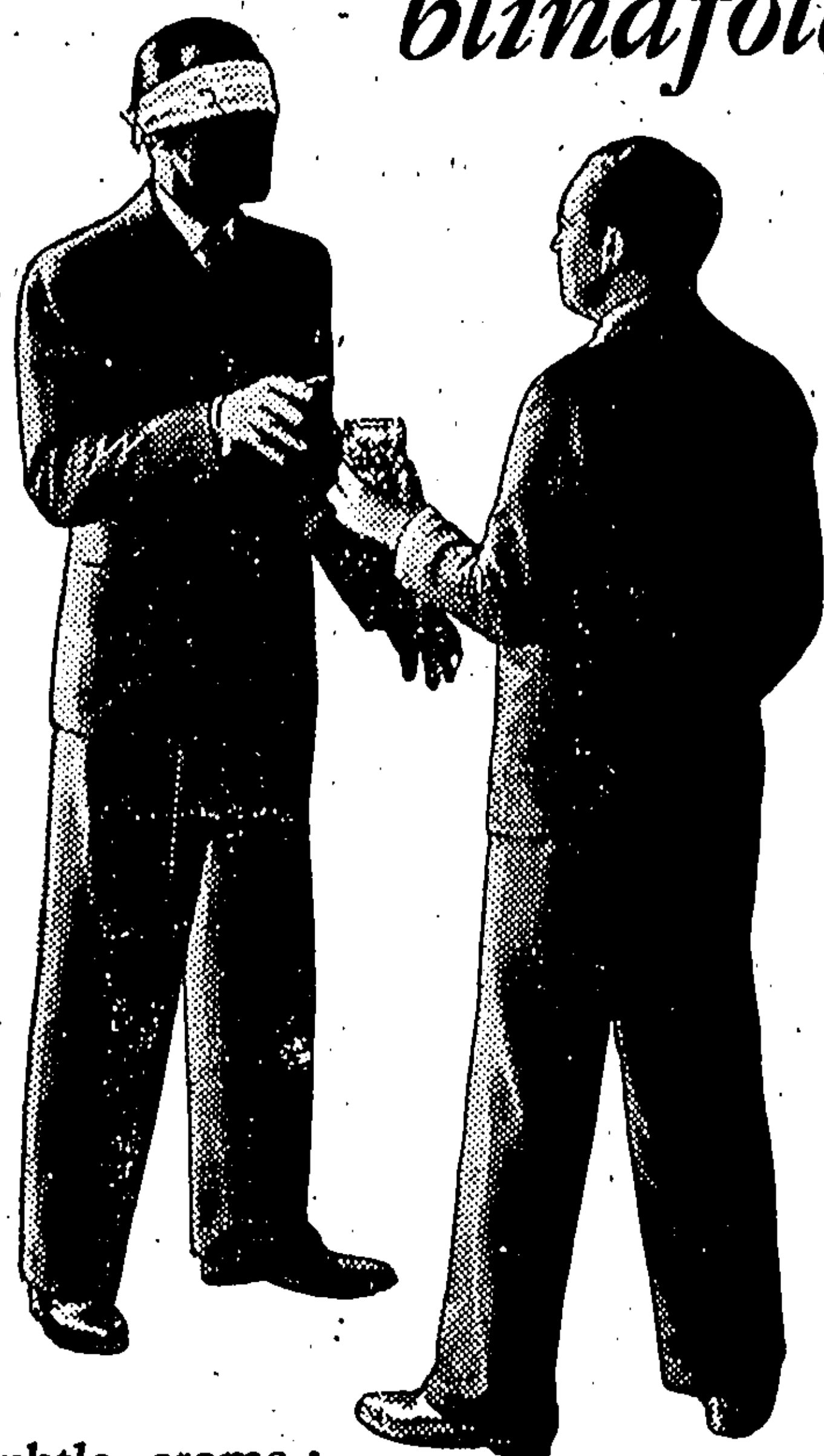
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TRAIN SMASH ON HANKOW CANTON LINE

Canton, To-day.

A tragic train collision on the Canton-Hankow Railway on the night of May 16, in which more than 200 persons, including passengers and railway staff members were killed and wounded, is revealed by reports just received.

The collision occurred at Milokang, a station about 73 kilometres north of Changsha, between a southbound train from

Wuchang and a northbound freight train from Canton.

Owing to darkness, rescue work for the victims was greatly hampered.

Traffic on the whole line was still disrupted yesterday as the wreckage was not yet cleared from the track.

The railway authorities have not yet disclosed the cause of the collision, but it is learned that two station masters held responsible have been placed in custody.—Central News.

NOT CONFIRMED

Canton, To-day.

No official confirmation has yet been received here of the collision on the Canton-Hankow Railway.—Central News.

STRONG FEELING OVER

Proper Apology And Demand For Compensation

London, To-day.

Replying in the House of Commons yesterday to Lt.-Commr. R. T. H. Fletcher (Labour, Nuneaton), Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, described the arrest and bayonetting of Mr. H. F. Wilkinson in the Hungjao area of Shanghai before being released by the Japanese with apologies.

Mr. Butler said that the British authorities in Shanghai immediately took up the matter when they heard of the arrest, and strongly protested to the Japanese.

Sir Robert Craigie (Ambassador in Tokyo) was also instructed to take up the matter with the Japanese Government.

Lt.-Commr. Fletcher asked if it was not the case that the whole of Mr. Wilkinson's record in Japan showed that he was incapable of committing any offence or engaging in activities affecting the Japanese.

PROPER APOLOGY

He added: "Will not the British Government do more than protest, and demand a proper apology and compensation in this case?"

Mr. Butler: "I entirely support all the observations made by Lt.-Commr. Fletcher."—Reuter.

TIGHTENING UP IN PALESTINE

Jerusalem, To-day.

It is understood that a scheme to secure the complete extermination of the defiant rebel gangs in Palestine will be announced to-day.

The scheme calls for stronger British military control in certain areas in central and northern Palestine.—Reuter.

JOHN LEWIS GETS SHARP SETBACK

Philadelphia, To-day.

Mr. John Lewis's Committee for Industrial Organisation, one of the largest Labour organisations in the United States, has failed in its first major attempt to gain political power.

Mr. Thomas Kennedy, C.I.O. candidate for nomination to the Governorship in Pennsylvania's Democratic primary elections, was defeated yesterday by about 100,000 votes in competition with Mr. Charles Jones, State Democrat.

The C.I.O. candidate for candidate to the Senate, Mr. Davis Wilson, secured 284,000 votes compared with 691,000 for the State Democrat, Mr. George Earle.

Political commentators describe the defeat as a distinct setback for

MYSTERY REVOLT AT BEIRUT

Beirut, To-day.

The Resident of Beirut, Dr. Chalfoun, instigator of the unsuccessful revolt attempted here a few days ago, was taken to hospital yesterday and placed under medical observation.

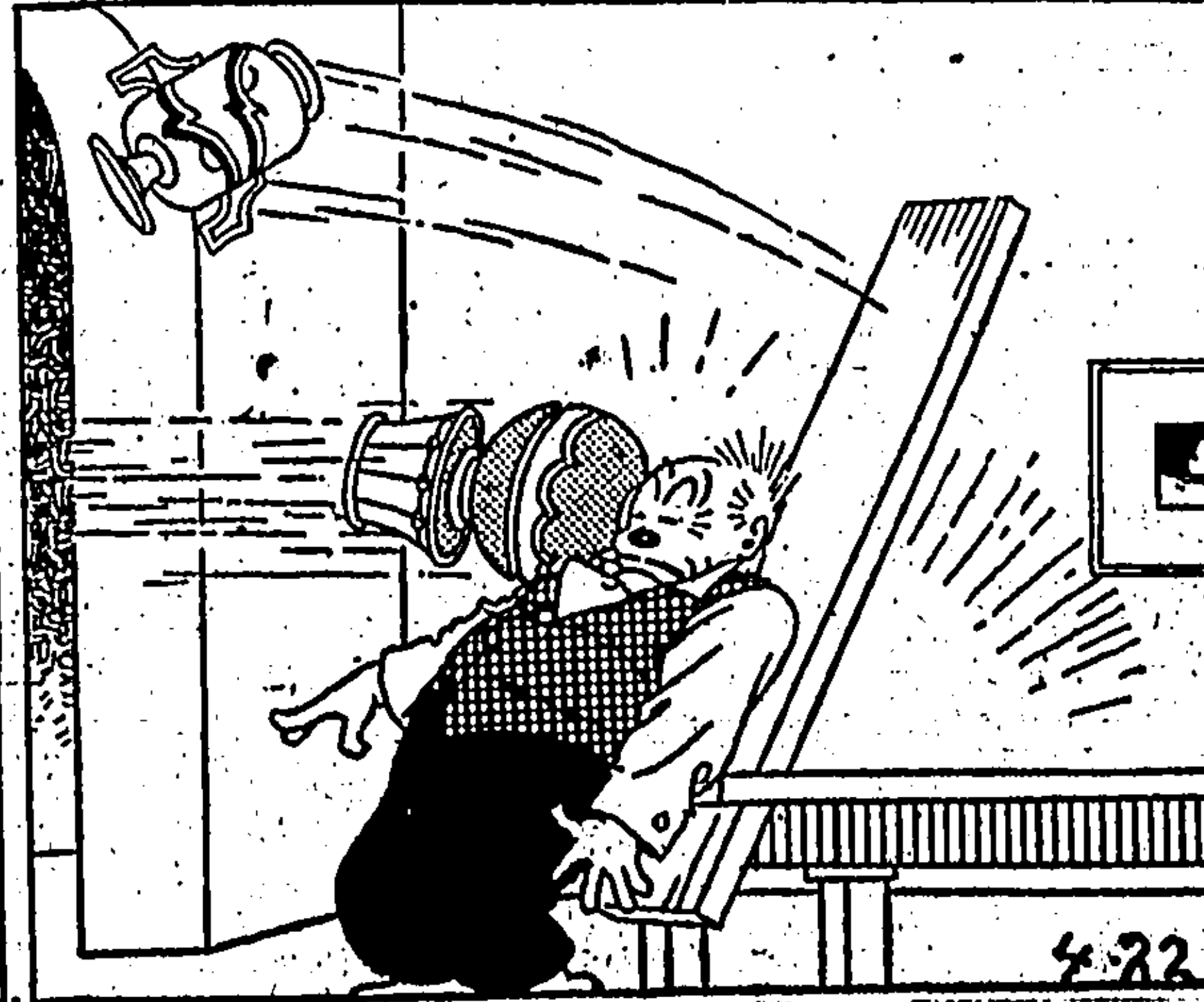
The revolt seems to have been planned in favour of France.

Chalfoun wanted Lebanon the population of which is Christian, to break away from Mohammedan Arab Syria and to become a French Colony.

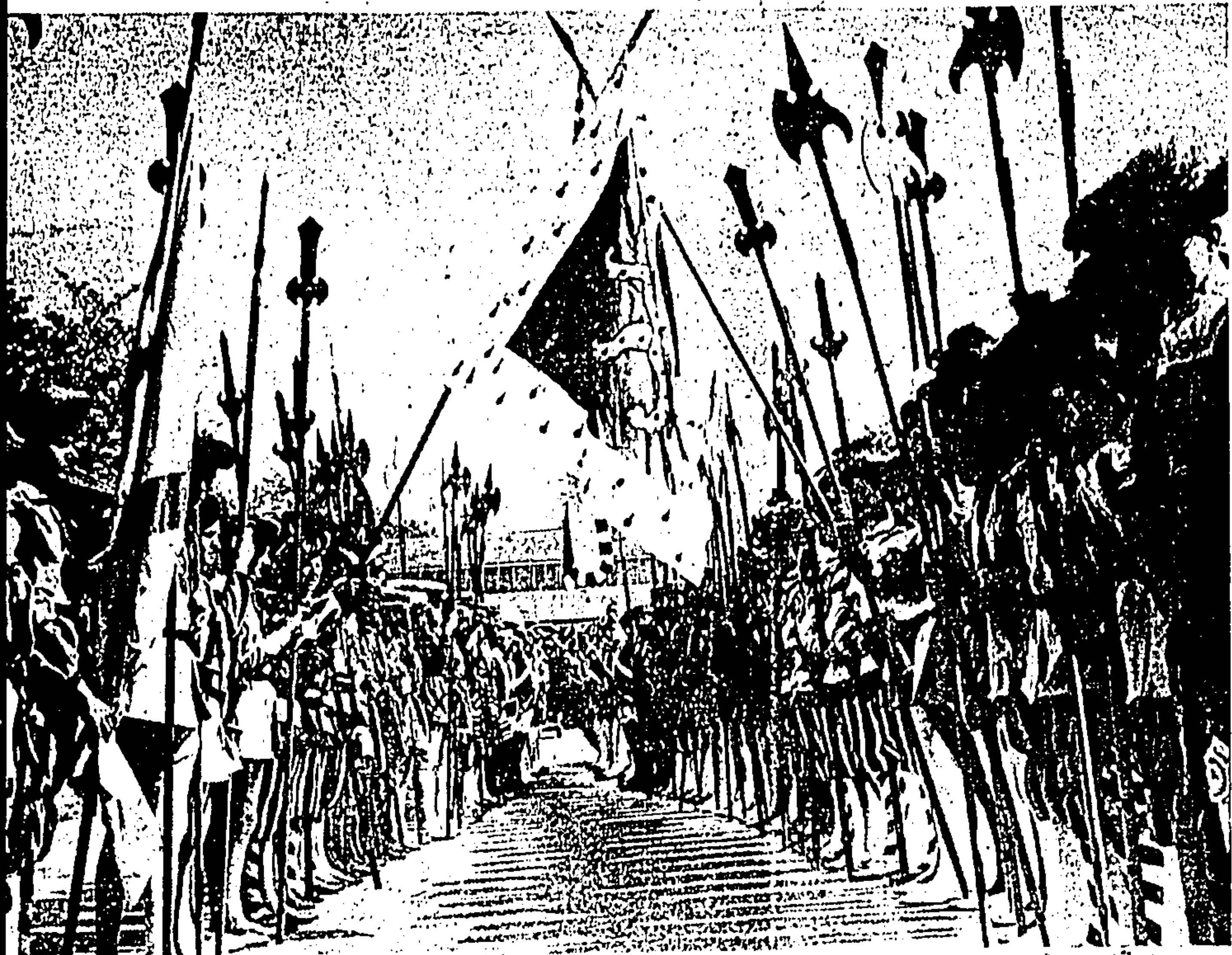
Chalfoun declared that he had obtained the approval of certain higher French authorities for the plan but declines to give any specific names of his French supporters.—Trans-Ocean.

Mr. Lewis's political ambitions. — Reuter.

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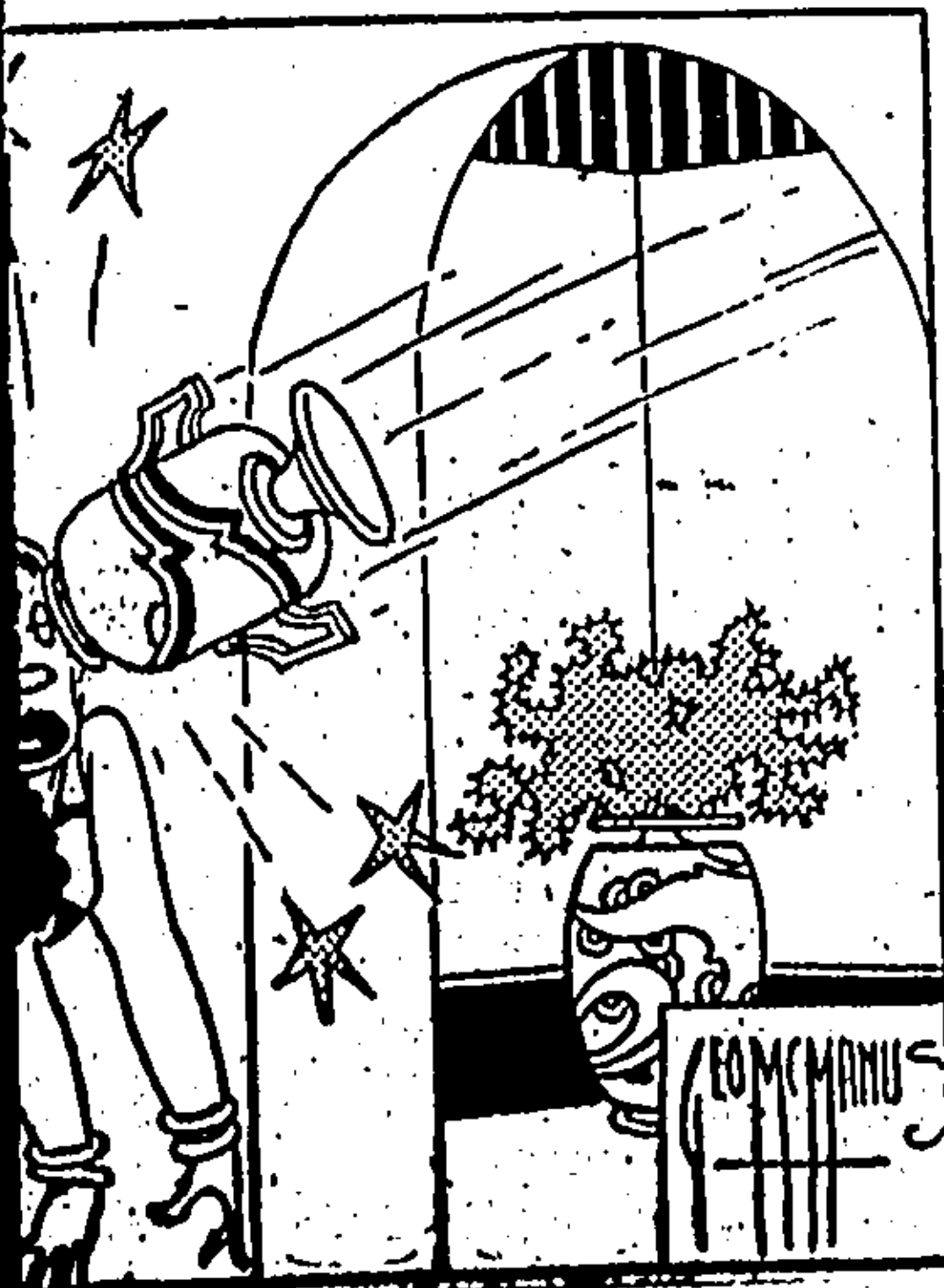
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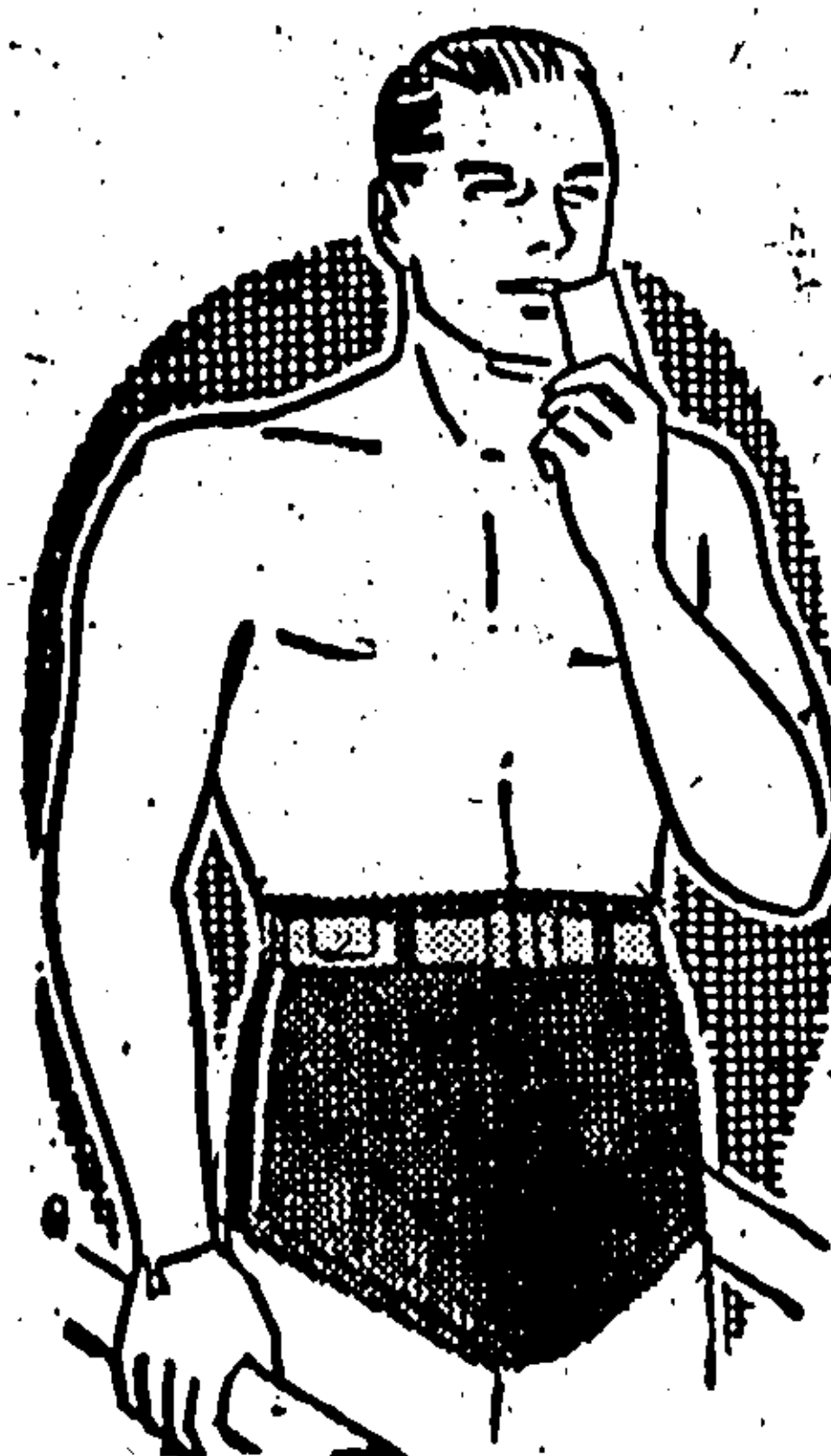


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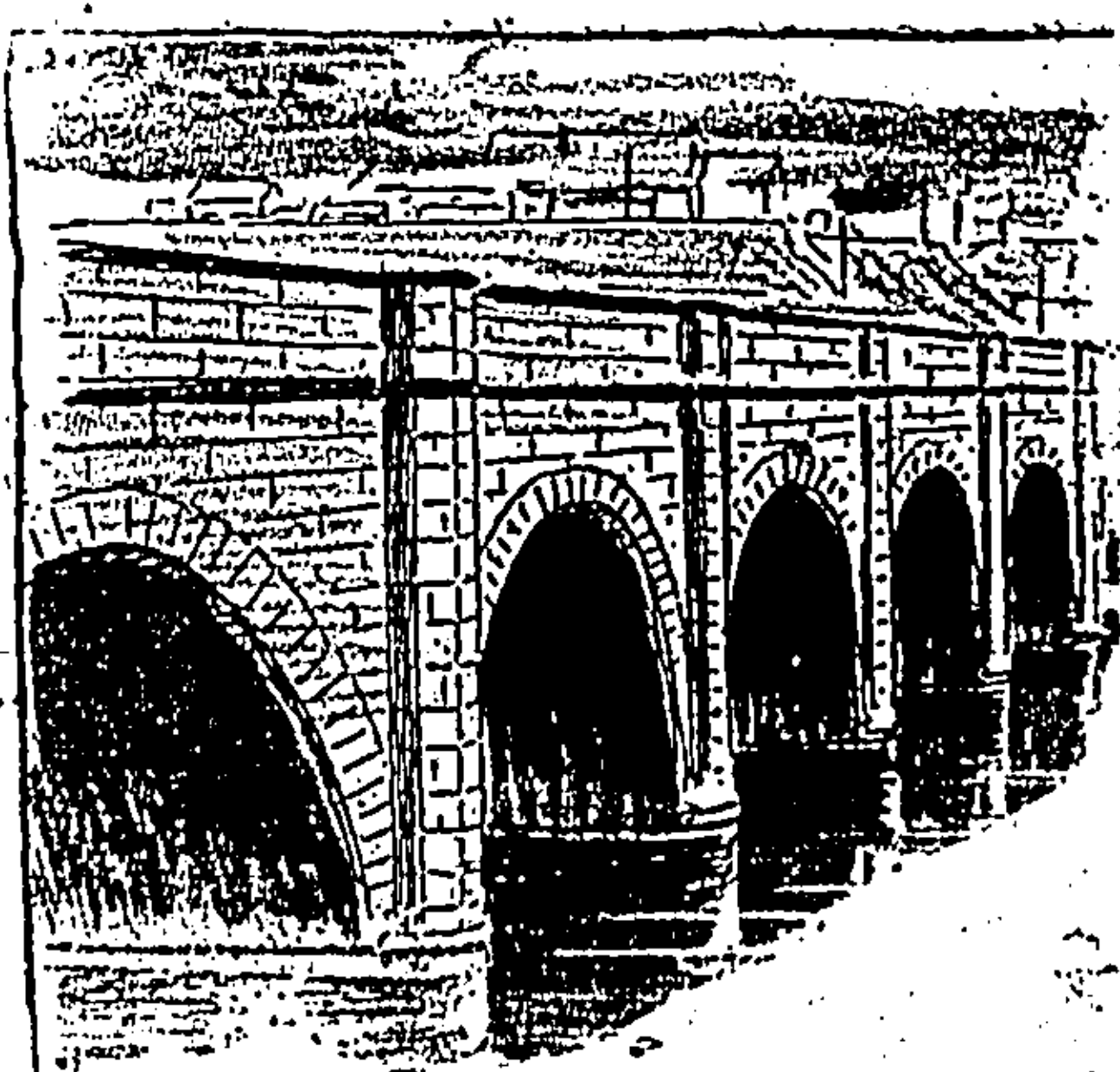
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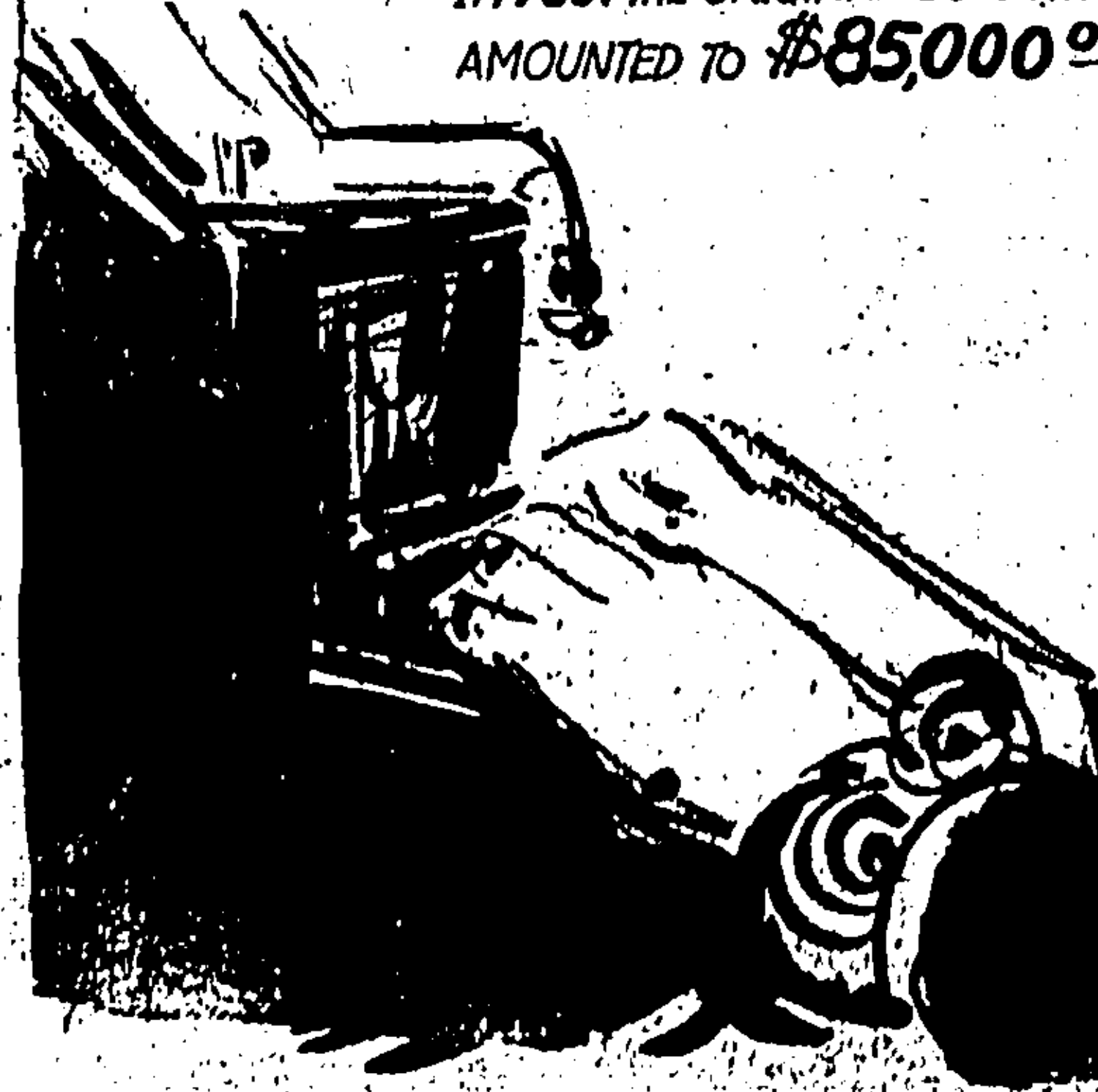


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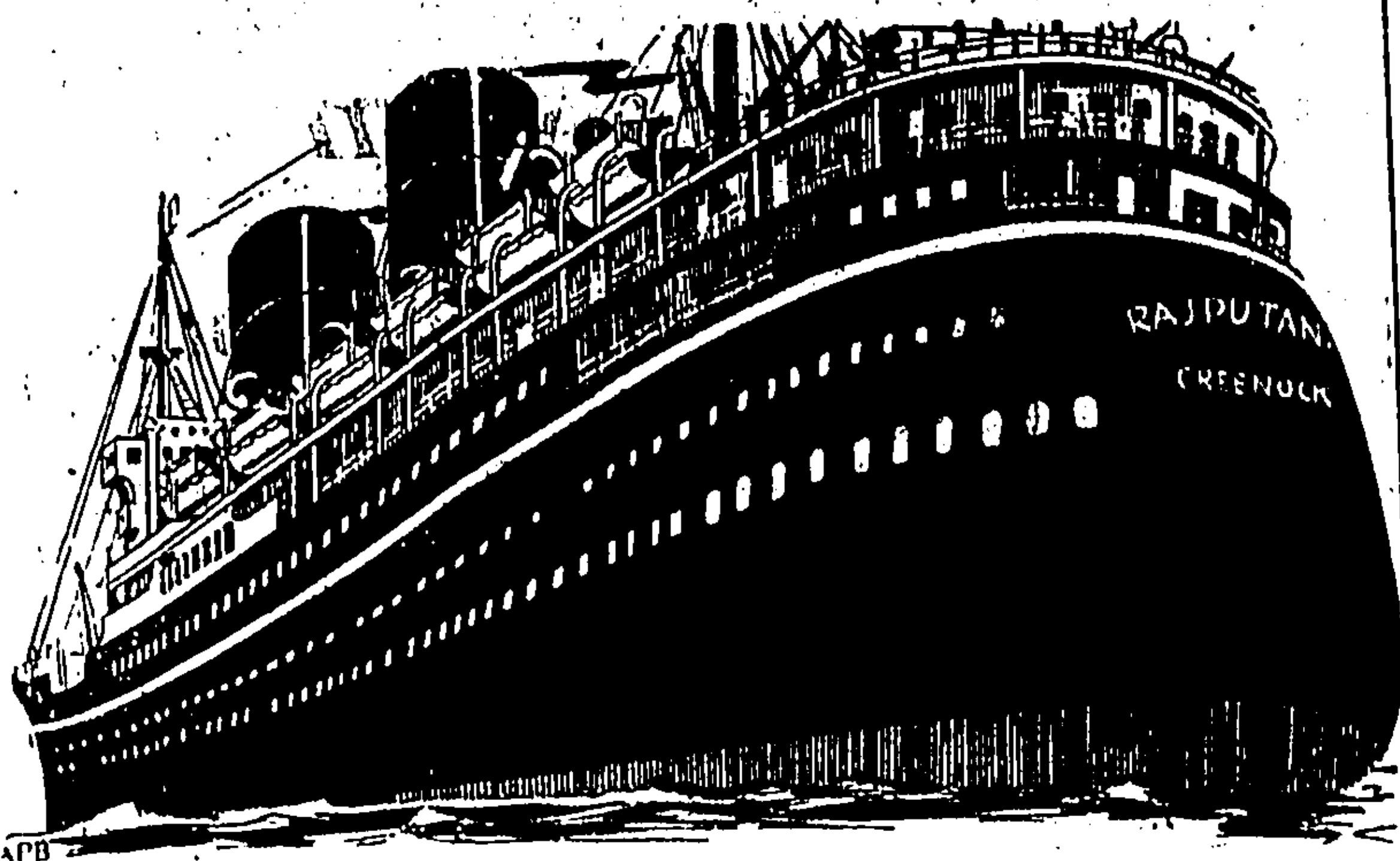
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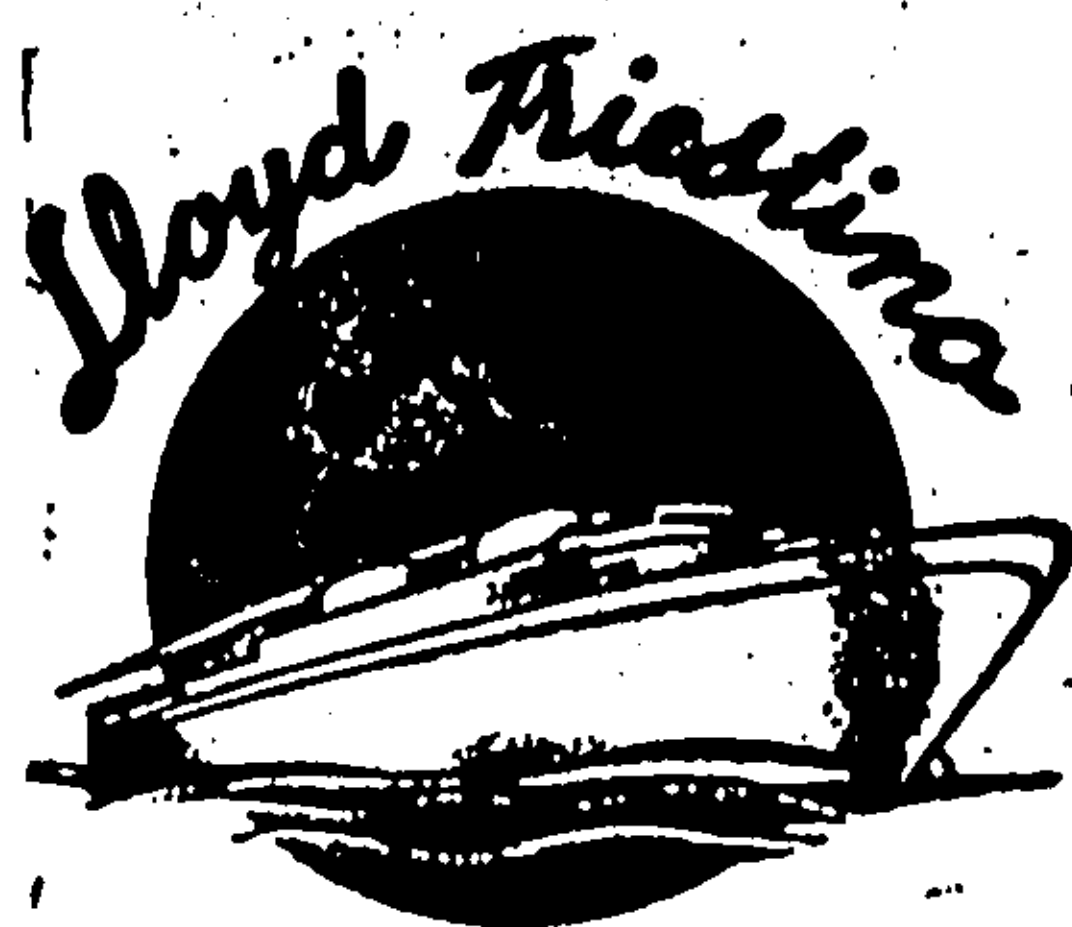
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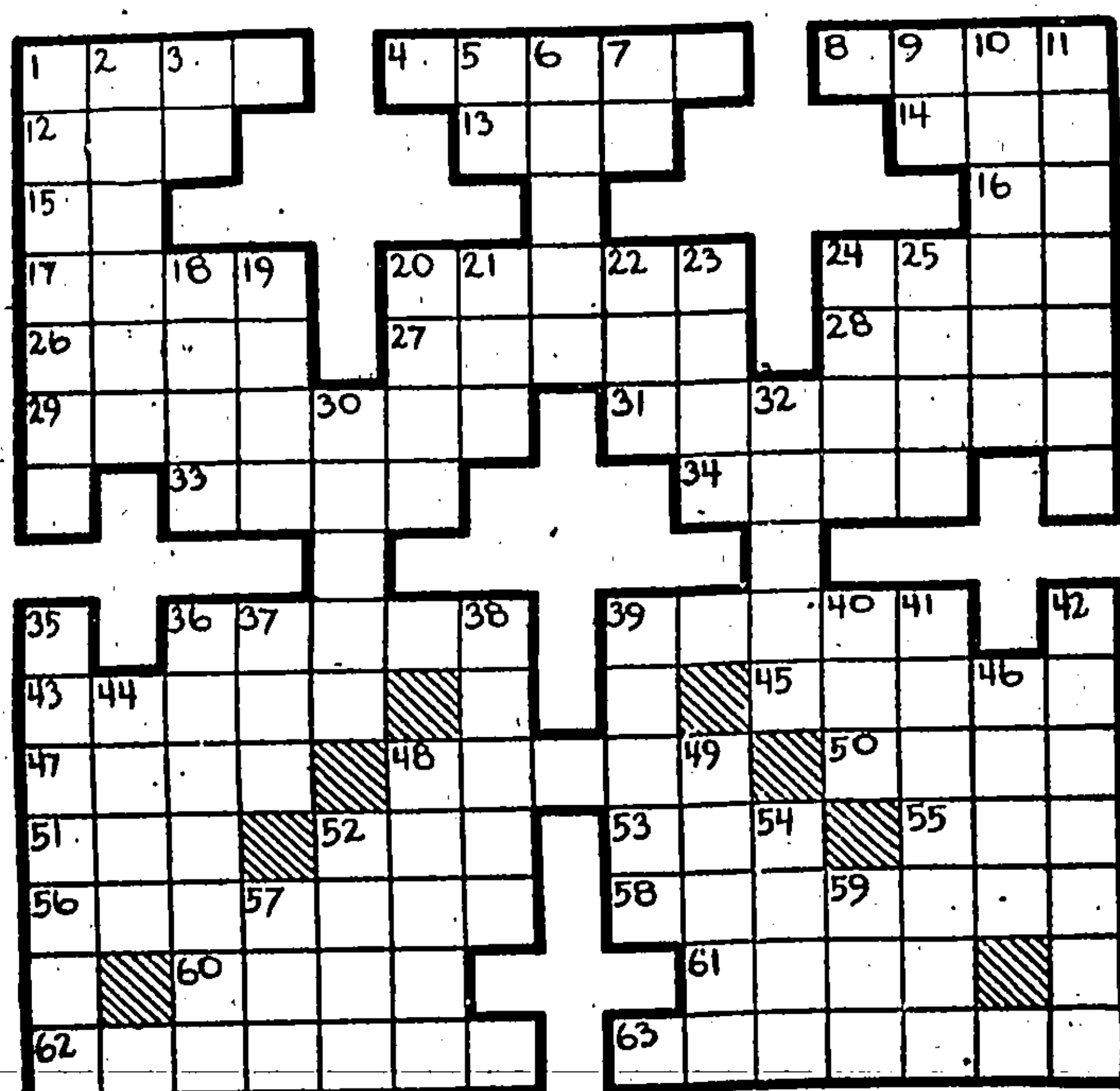
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- 1-Island (Poet.)
4-Keen
6-Covers
12-Extinct bird of New Zealand
18-Note in Guido's scale
14-Look
15-Italian river
16-Musical note
17-Units
20-Established
24-To alight
26-Bench
27-Penetrates
28-Comfort
29-Journeys to carry messages
31-Revolves
32-A covered colonnade (Gr. Arch.)
34-Remove the skin
36-Assumed an attitude
38-Stocky parts of a plant
40-An upright sculptured slab (Archaeol.)
42-Twisted hemp (pl.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 47-Plant
48-Cut
50-Small child
51-Swiss river
52-Sheep cry
53-Consumes
55-A compass point (abbr.)
56-Island west of Great Britain
58-Removed from public view
60-Inflamed place on the skin
61-Girl's name
62-A relative (pl.)
63-Wrinkles

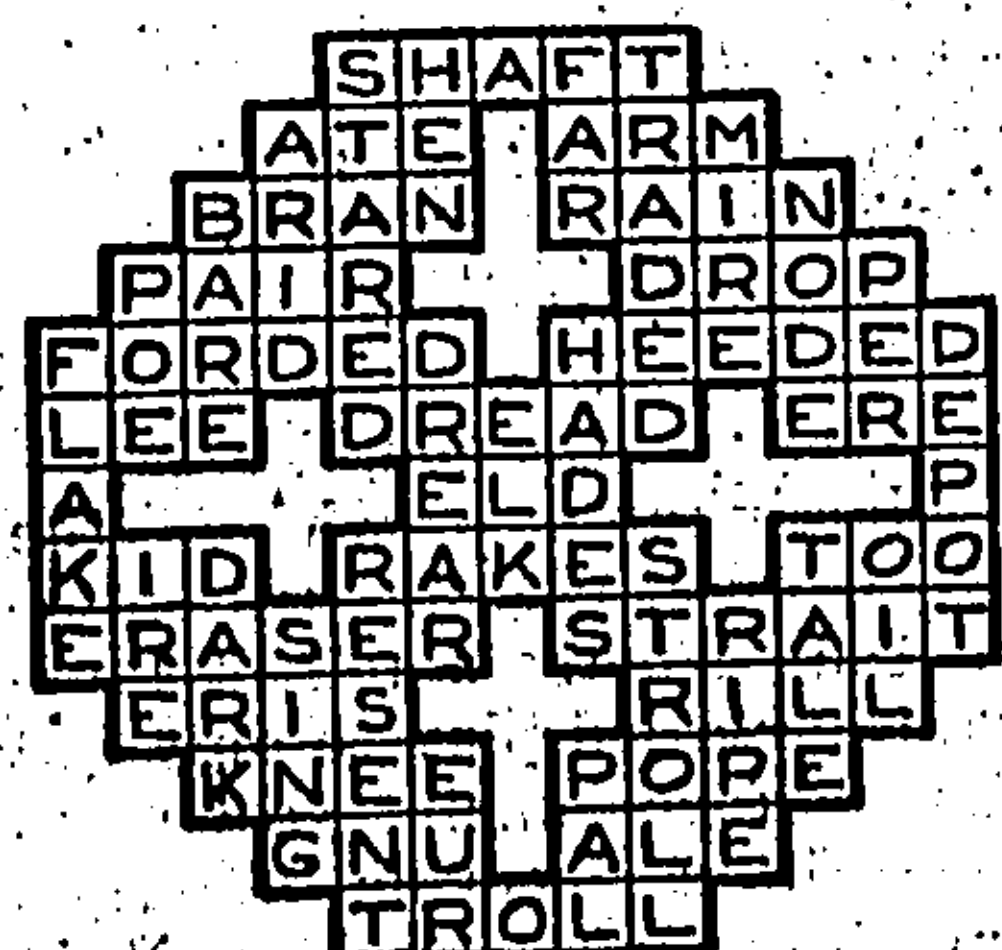
VERTICAL

- 1-Obtruded
2-Earlier
3-Musical note
5-Pronoun
6-Town in Belgium
7-Egyptian god
9-Because
10-Read carefully

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 11-Prophets
18-Organs of hearing
19-Statute (abbr.)
20-"Father of English learning"
21-Answer (abbr.)
22-Ever (contr.)
23-Let fall
24-Wither
25-Tardy
30-Pertaining to the Scandinavian people
32-Small candle
35-Attacks
36-English noblewoman
37-Aged
38-Fear
39-Wool-bearing animal
40-Disorderly crowd
41-Scatters
42-Considers
44-Lacerate
46-The Orient
48-More lucid
49-Scarce
52-Nude
54-Prong
57-Portion
59-By way of

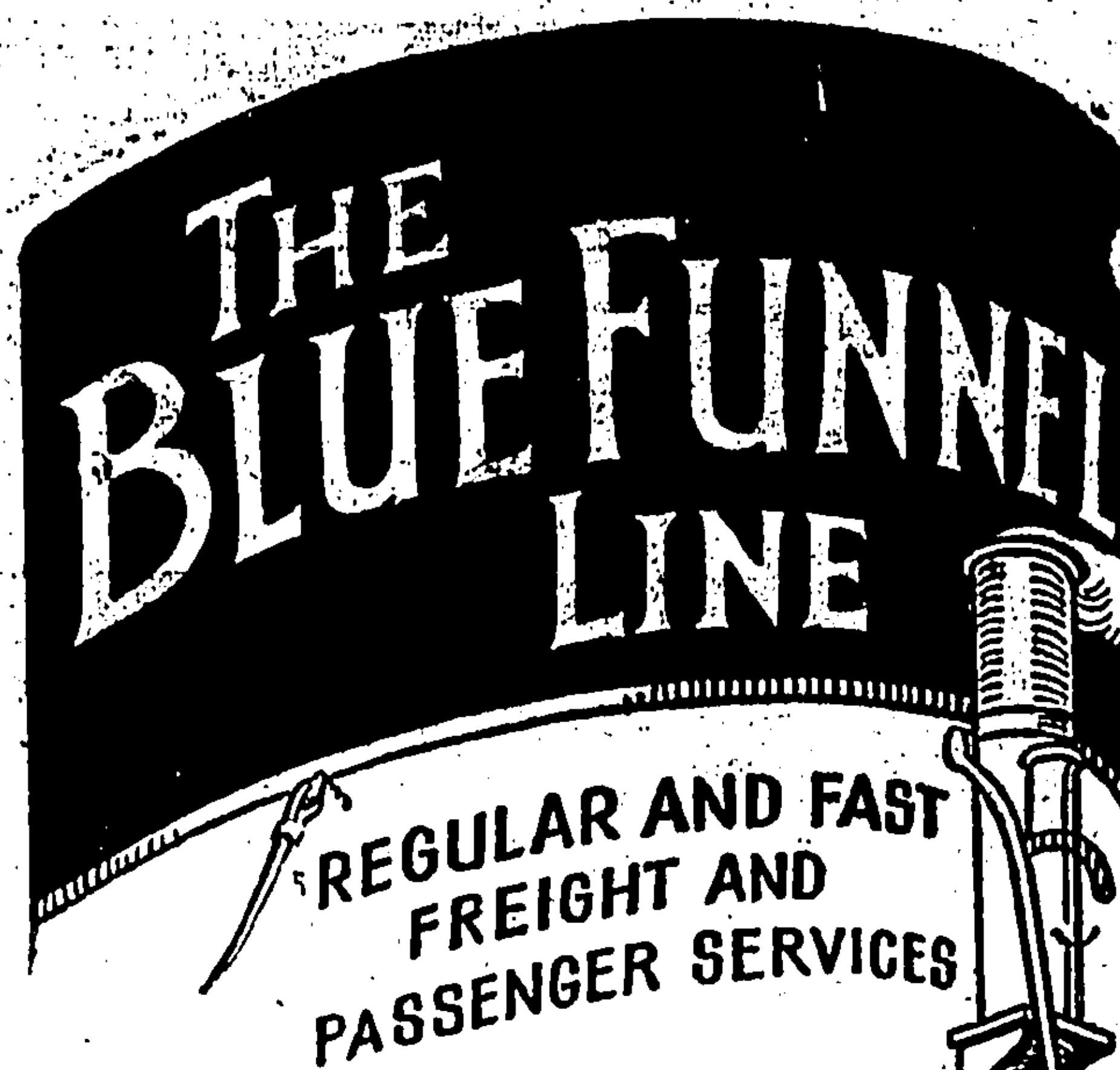
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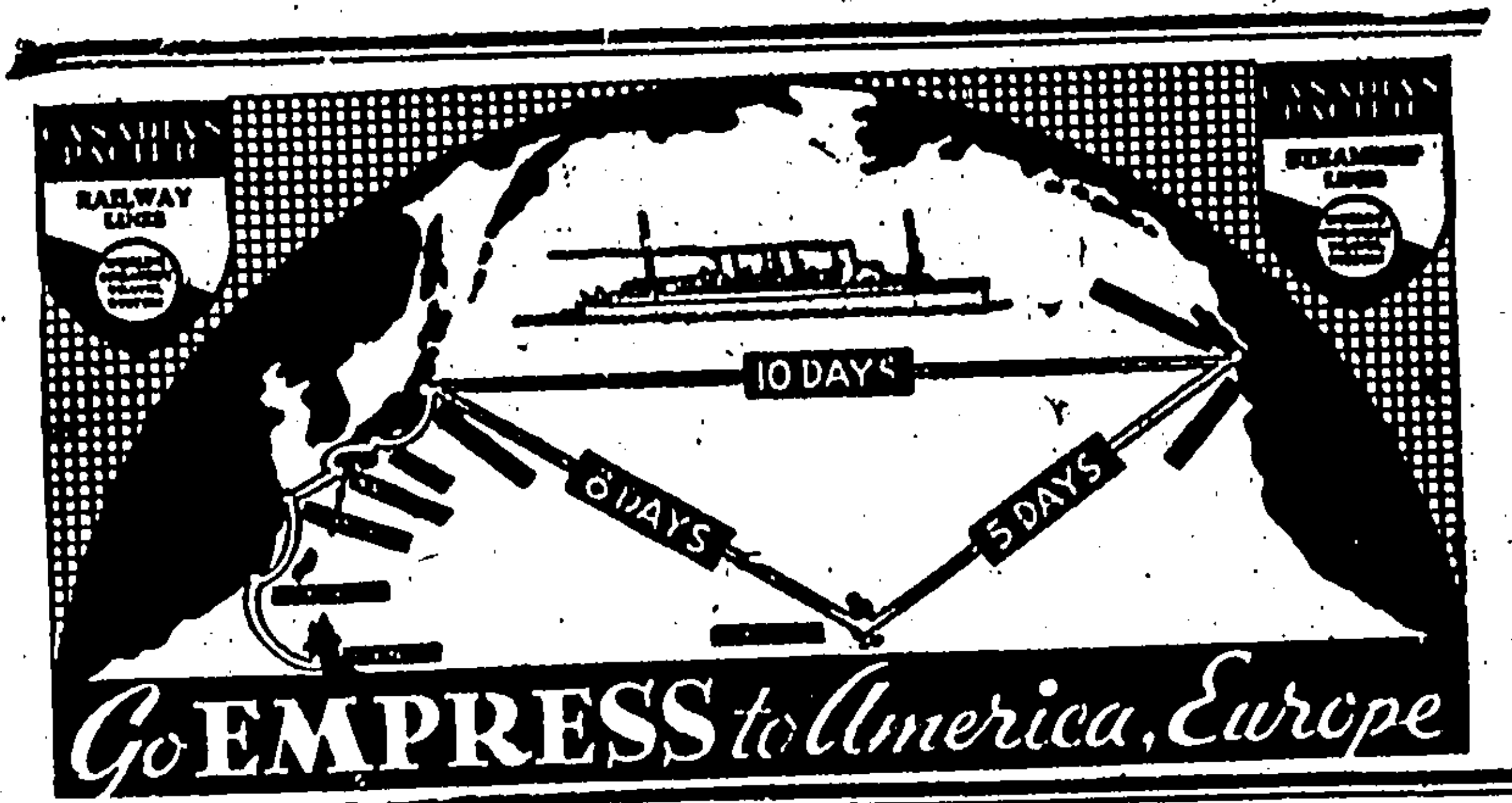
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SOCIETY FOR PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

At the monthly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Society for the Protection of Children, Mr. G.P. de Martin presided, the following members being present: Mr. A. el Arculli, Mr. S.V. Boxer, Major Brazier, Hon. Mr. S. Caine, Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Mrs. D.J.S. Crozier, Mr. F. P. Franklin, Rev. Father Granelli, Dr. Hunter, Mr. W.A. Jones, Mr. F.H. Kwok, Mr. J. M. Noronha, Lady Pollock, Mr. A. Pollock, Mr. J. Prior, Miss Shin Tack Hing, Mr. L.D. Skinner, Mrs. Middleton Smith, Mrs. H. Sommers, Mr. D.R. Spreckley and Dr. Arthur Woo.

During April, it was disclosed, no less than 611 cases were dealt with, the Society's inspectors making 223 visits to homes. At the various centres maintained, 3,670 visits were made by persons seeking advice treatment or help for their children. The average income per head of the cases on relief was \$1.53 per month.

The honorary treasurer, Mr. A. McKellar reported that the cash balance amounted to \$7,000, including the annual Government grant of \$5,000 just received. The Society's urgent need for funds was stressed, it being pointed out that in order to continue work on the present scale, a further \$9,000 will be needed in order to meet prospective expenditure up to the close of the financial year, October 31st.

At a recent meeting of the Finance Committee, to discuss ways and means of encouraging subscriptions, the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow had been requested to act as chairman, and the Executive Committee expressed its gratification upon Sir Shouson promising to give all the assistance and co-operation within his power.

The Rev. Father Granelli brought to the notice of the Committee the case of a twelve-year old boy whose mother, a would-be suicide, had been rescued and admitted to the St. Teresa's Home. It was decided to send the lad to the St. Louis Industrial School where he would be taught a trade, the Society undertaking to support him failing the securing of free admittance.

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Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

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Hong Kong Bank \$1540 s.
 Hong Kong Bank (Lon. Reg.) \$91½ b.

INSURANCES

Union Ins. \$515 b., \$520 s.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.

Providents (Old) \$3.70 sa.
 Providents (New) \$3.57½/60 sa.

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Venz: Goldfield \$2.60 b.
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H. K. and S. Hotels \$6.80 b., \$6.85 sa.

H. K. Lands 4% Debentures 101 b.
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PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways \$16.80 b.
 Peak Trams (Old) \$7 b.
 H. K. Electrics \$60¼ sa.
 Macao Electrics \$17¼ b.

MISCELLANEOUS

Constructions \$1½ b.
 Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) s/- 3/10 b.

SINGAPORE SHARES

Quotations of 12 leading Singapore stocks received by Messrs. Ellis and Edgar from Messrs. J. M. Sassoon and Co., Singapore.

Rubber Shares	Middle Price
Amalgamated Malay Estates Limited	\$ 1.42½
Kempas Limited	1.65
Kuala Sidim Rubber Co., Ltd.	2.30
Pajam Limited	1.70
Sungei Bagan Rubber Co., Ltd.	1.37½
Tapah Rubber Estates Limited	1.60
Tin Shares	
Petaling Tin Limited	7.50
Sungei Luas Tin Dredging Limited	1.52½
Industrials	
Straits Trading Co., Ltd.	27.25
United Engineers Limited (Ordinary)	7.60
Wearne Brothers Limited	14.50
Gold	
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	5.30

The above Quotations are in Straits Dollars.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co., have received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber: July/Sept. 20½ b. Up ¼.
 Oct/Dec. 20¾ b. Up ¼.
 Jan/March 21¼ b. Up ¼.
 Market: Dull.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2-13/16.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London yesterday at 18-11/16 and forward at 18-7/16.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £-U.S.\$4.9687 and the New York on London rate at £-U.S.\$4.9678.

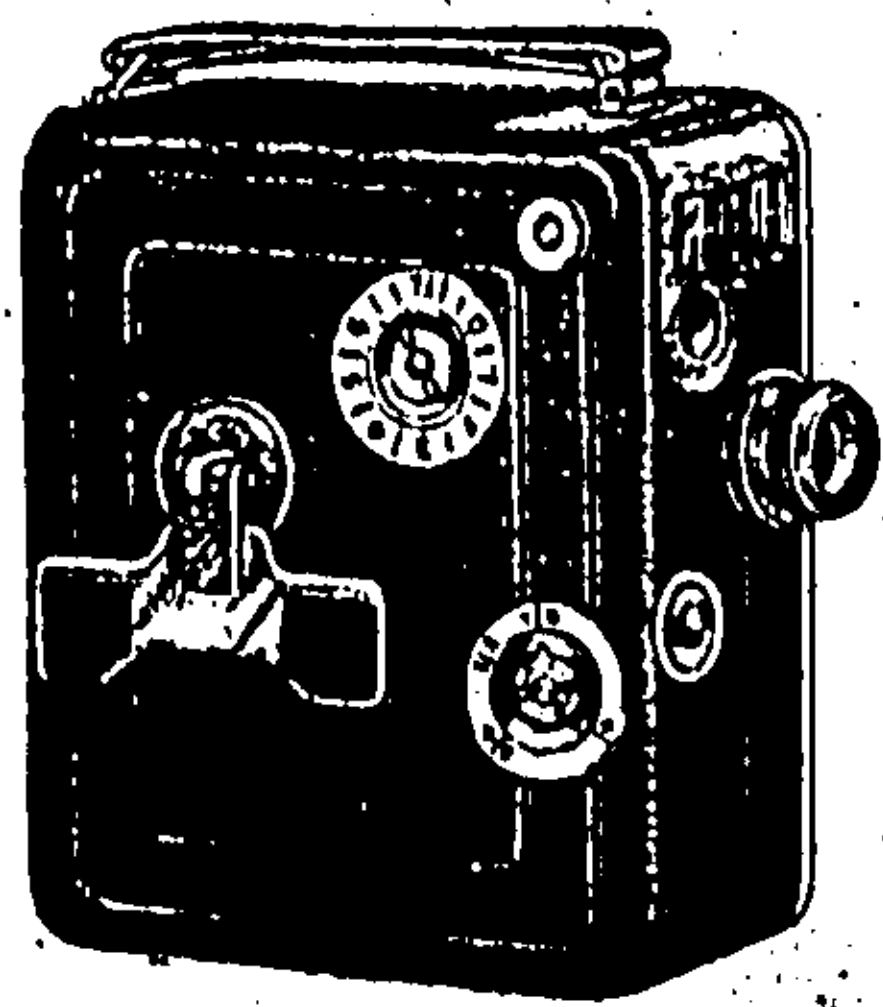
BADCOCK ON WAY TO ANOTHER CENTURY

Rain Curtails Play

London, To-day.

At Northampton, where the County Cricket eleven are entertaining the Australian Test tourists, rain curtailed play to only 100 minutes before lunch yesterday, the Australians scoring 126 runs without loss, out of which C. L. Badcock scored 72 not out.—Reuter.

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U. M. Omar, last year's champion, will be defending his title. L. A. Gutierrez, R. F. da Luz, A. Hyde-Lay, A. M. Holland and A. E. Coates, former title holders, have also entered.

Altogether 83 pairs have entered for the Pairs competition, as compared with 76 last year; and 59 pairs in 1936. A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar, last year's champions, will be defending their title.

In the Open Rinks, 39 rinks have entered compared with 41 last year and 31 in 1936. J. Soares, J. Leonard, L. C. R. Souza and C. S. Rosset, the 1937 champions, will be together again.

Owing to pressure on space, we are unable to publish the full list of entries. The draw for the Open Pairs will be made this evening.

CHILDREN HAVE YOU ENTERED FOR THE SNOW WHITE CONTEST?

See Page 2.

MORE UPSETS IN BRITISH WOMEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Miss Diana Fishwick Defeated

Burnham, Somerset, To-day. Further upsets featured the concluding stages of the British Women's Golf Championship, held over the Burnham course here yesterday.

In the Fourth Round, Mrs. Fletcher, of Hermitage, beat Mrs. R. Peel, of Haddingtonshire, conqueror of the holder, by one up, while Mrs. Holm beat Miss Diana Fishwick, a former holder, by 4 and 3.

In the Fifth Round, Mrs. Fletcher beat Miss Madeline Fyshe, runner-up in the English Championship, in 1936, by 4 and 2.—Reuter.

LATEST CALL OVER FOR DERBY

London, To-day. The following is the latest call-over for the Derby, which will be run at Epsom, on Wednesday June 1:—

Pasch 2 to 1 t and o.
Golden Sovereign 7 to 1 o.
Portmarnock 10 to 1 o, 100 to 9 t.
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Mirza 20 to 1 t and o.—Reuter.

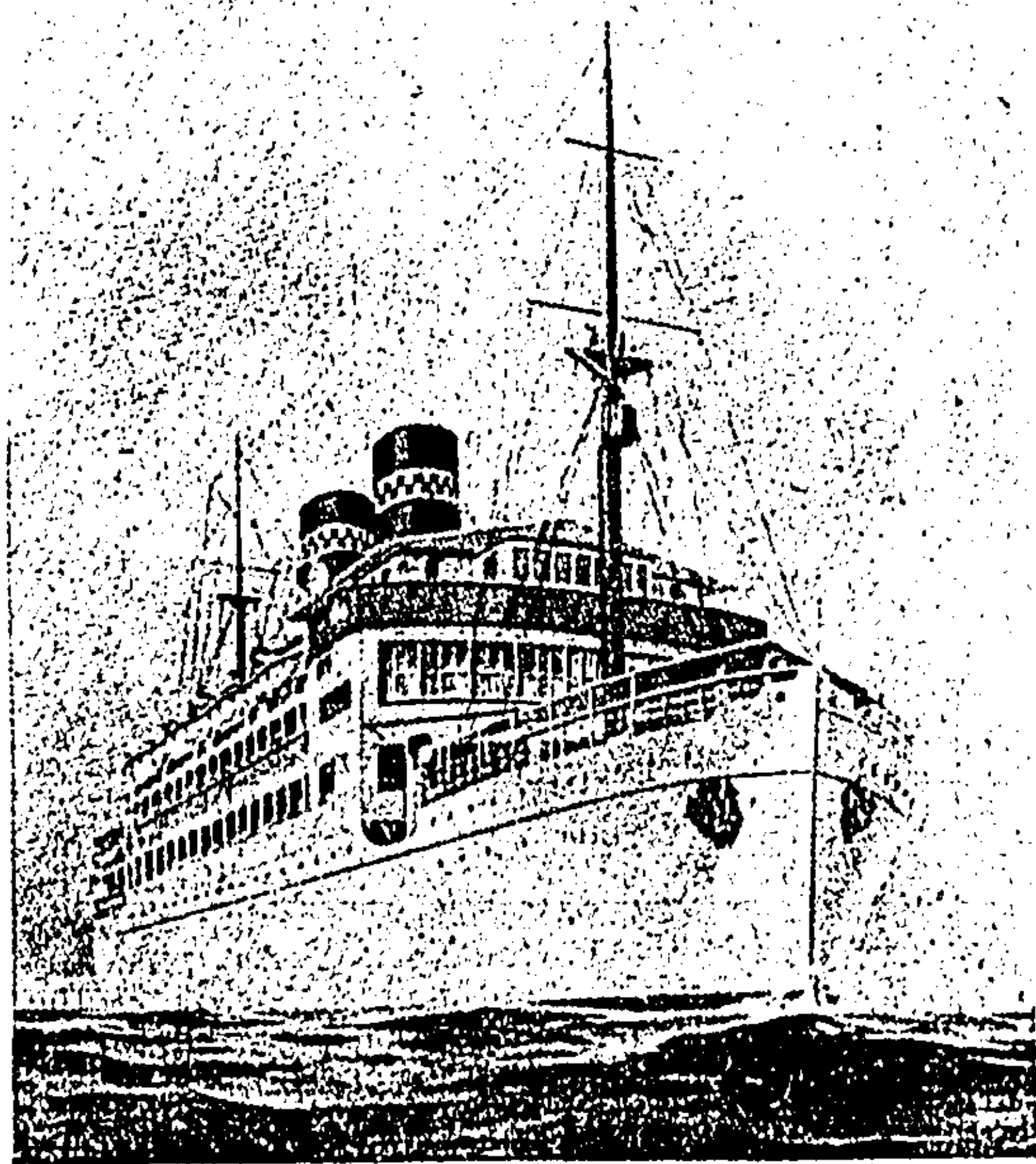
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CRAIGENGOWER'S NEW RECORD?

K.C.C. Win Over Neighbours Caused Surprise

KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB MAINTAIN FORM

(By "SKIP")

EVERYTHING else in last Saturday's Lawn Bowls League games was overshadowed by the Craigengower Club's huge win against the Police. The total score of 101, which was made up of 36 for Dick Basa, 33 for B. W. Bradbury and 32 for U. M. Omar, is the highest I have been able to trace in the records, but there may have been higher ones.

The nearest approach to it which I can find is Club De Recreio's second team count of 95, which they achieved twice in 1936. Eighty six was the largest club score last year.

Other features of last Saturday's matches were the Indians' away victory against the Civil Servants, a win in which Arculli played a big part, and Kowloon Cricket Club's fine victory over the Kowloon Bowling Club, at Cox's Road, while the Kowloon Football Club had a good win against Club De Recreio, to preserve their unbeaten record.

In the Craigengower-Police match, U. M. Omar had the biggest win though scoring the fewest shots, and it must be many a day since Bill Hollands had such drubbing as is indicated by a 25 shot deficit. Starting off quite evenly, (there was only one in it after five ends), the Police four then seemed to go to pieces, scoring only four singletons to their opponents 20 shots, in the remaining heads.

The home men were bowling well to a man, a remark which applies with equal force to Basa's four, who, although they met with a little more stern opposition from Perkins, got home by 22 shots. A six and two fives, one of which was at the very last head, were included in Basa's tally of three dozen.

It was George Moss and his mates (McLeod, Orem and Shepherd) who put up the best fight and they actually scored on more heads than the home team. But whereas they had a three as their biggest count, a tribute to Bradbury, who was playing a wonderful game, the Craigengower rink scored two fours and a couple of sixes in the first eight heads, all by the way at the Football-Club-end of the green.

SET THE PACE

Arculli's rink set the pace against the Civil Servants, at the Valley, and after leading Sam Randle all the way, ran out by a score of shots. In Khan, he had a sound lead who was usually beating another left-handed player, in Pengelly, but Simmonds usually levelled matters up by beating Wahab time and again. The three, Jack Deakin and Abbas, were pretty evenly matched, but Arculli played an inspired game and had the better of Randle to gain the big win for his rink.

George Sherriff had an uphill fight against Dallah, and although, only three down at the half-way stage, the opposition put on 11 in four heads and eventually had a comfortable win of 15. Adal was very useful as third man, to Dallah, whilst Sherriff was in no way to blame for his defeat.

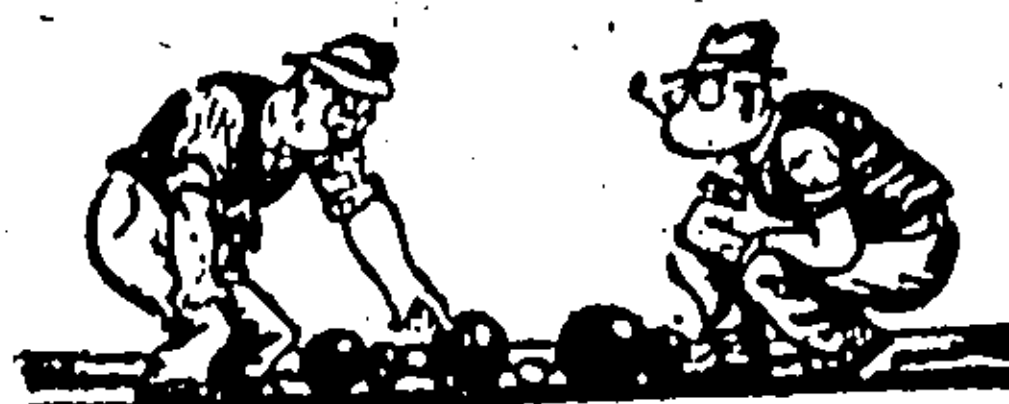
The ever-steady Jack Hollidge had a very tight game with Minu, until he and his men suddenly struck their best form and from being all square at the 13th, finished up, an unavailing 13 to the good.

WORTHY WINNERS

Club de Recreio, winning on two of the rinks, came away from Kowloon Docks worthy victors by 17 shots, the spoils being equally shared between F.X.M. Silva who thereby retained his undefeated record, and R. F. Luz who had the better of J.C. Brown.

McKelvie was up against the former, but could never secure the lead against the powerful opposition rink, although he played a very good game himself.

Jackie Noronha had a slight edge on Coleman, whilst Kempton if not quite as good as his opposite number, showed improved form. C. G. Silva and



half-a-dozen shots, after leading for most of the way. Up against such a classy player as Hall, of Shanghai, Willie Hyde was by no means outplayed and had, if anything, the better of his opponent, who although playing some brilliant shots, found the green particularly heavy after the fast surfaces up North. Jimmy Hyde saved a big count at one head with a heavy follow-through shot, Guy in his effort to dislodge it, only sending the counting wood further through with the Jack.

Bob Duncan and Fincher tied at 17, and it was Fincher who was mainly responsible for such a favourable result. He received most of his support from Silkstone, who held John Watson, but there was little to choose between the others.

Although I predicted a win for the home team I did not expect the Craigengower men to beat Club de Recreio by as many as 18 shots, at the Valley. Nor did I expect an all-round superiority.

Marcus Souza had the biggest win, and as it was against J. J. Basto, it can be considered a very meritorious one; Joe Leonard was steadier than Machado, whilst Randall had slightly the better of a weighty duel with E.M. Remedios.

"SKIP'S" FORECAST FOR SATURDAY

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*I. R. C. (—)	C. C. C. (—)
K. C. C. (50)	P. R. C. (45)
C. de R. (58)	K. B. G. C. (57)
C. S. C. C. (62)	K. D. R. C. (48)
SECOND DIVISION	
K. B. G. C. (63)	C. de R. (65)
P. R. C. (—)	*C. S. C. C. (—)
C. C. C. (—)	†H. K. F. C. (—)
T. R. C. (57)	H. K. F. C. "B" (53)
THIRD DIVISION	
H. K. F. C. (66)	R. H. K. Y. C. (52)
K. F. C. (59)	H. K. E. R. C. (58)
C. de R. (—)	†K. C. C. (—)
C. C. C. (57)	K. T. R. C. (60)

* Denotes a promoted team.

† Denotes a relegated team.

Figures in brackets denote scores in corresponding match last year.

Sammy Gray were evenly matched, as were the skips, "F. X." on one occasion saving a beautiful five (all clustering in a semi-circle behind the Jack), by an absolutely perfect draw.

Luz went into a useful lead at the start of his game with Johnny Brown, scoring in the first five heads, but after a ding-dong game for the next dozen ends, he finished with a spurt to reach home by nine.

It would be unfair to Cooper, who was the next best man in his side, to say that Cullen won the match for his team against Dick Alves. But the latter certainly played a great game, and was able time and again to consolidate the position which his right hand man had made possible for him.

CAUSED A SURPRISE

THE EASY WIN WHICH KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB SCORED OVER THEIR NEIGHBOURS SURPRISED QUITE A FEW PEOPLE, INCLUDING MYSELF, BUT THAT IT WAS A GOOD WIN, THERE CAN BE NO DOUBT, AS TWO RINKS WERE UP, AND TEDDY FINCHER WAS ABLE TO HOLD BOB DUNCAN TO A DRAW.

Ernie Kern was on the crest of the wave against Claude Hosking, all of whose men were not up to form, the weight of the green seeming to deceive them. Kern had a beautiful shot, which his number three did not think was on, when, with the enemy counting two or three, he drew through a narrow port dead onto the Kitty. The home team were better man for man, but a special word is due to Mulcahy for a very good game, as lead.

GOOD GAME

Jimmy Hyde and Guy had a very good game which the homester won by

K. M. Omar aided by the effervescent Ernie Zimmern, scored a couple of fives against F. X. Soares, a rare enough achievement in itself, but that he needed them is indicated by his win by only five shots after scoring on a minority of heads.

Jack Cavanagh was ahead of B. Basto for most of their game and deserved his six-shot win. Ward was very good as third man, and the quiet disposition of his skip precluded any fear of an excess of driving, a weakness which many bowlers would do well to eradicate.

HOME TEAM WEAKENED!

ALTHOUGH IT MAY SOUND LIKE A LEFT-HANDED COMPLIMENT I MUST SAY THAT I WAS SURPRISED TO SEE THE CIVIL SERVICE CLUB LOSE BY ONLY 10 SHOTS TO THE HONG KONG FOOTBALL CLUB'S FIRST STRING: I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A COMPLETE WALK-OVER FOR THE HOME TEAM.

A.B. Allan had a great victory over Frank Haynes, who was backed up by such a good exponent of the game as Lionel Lammert. With a decidedly experimental rink, "A.B." recorded the visitors' only win. Whilst Warr was quite good at Number Three, it was Bradshaw who caught the eye most, some of his efforts being well up to the divisional standard.

Jack Rodger and Syd Eccleshall had as close a game as one could wish for, until the 18th head, when, with the score at 13-12, to the home skip, he made a final burst and scored three twos and a four to win by eleven. Both skips were on the top of their form, whilst Jack Rodger had the benefit of a more experienced right-hand man.

The star turns in the game between Walter Gill and Cook were R. P. Shaw

"REVIEWER'S" SPORTS COMMENTARY

Two League Tennis "Grouses"

ALTHOUGH the Lawn Tennis League programme has only just commenced, one or two genuine "grouses" have already been voiced and one of these, concerning the playing of the "A" Division immediately after the Mixed Doubles League, seems due for consideration by the Local Association.

It is evident that in the past when programmes have been drawn up little heed was paid to the fact that at least three of the players in "A" Division League teams would be called upon almost invariably to play on the preceding day in the Mixed Doubles League, providing such Clubs had entered this event.

To be called on to play in League Tennis on successive days throughout the season, following a strenuous week-end, calls for comment.

I can see no reason why the Mixed Doubles League is not played on Fridays, and the whole of the League programme, that is "A", "B", "C" and "D" Divisions, moved forward a day. This would at least give "A" Division players a rest over the week-end before being called on to play again. It is a point which the local Association should consider before next season.

Another "grouse" is the condition of the courts at many of the Clubs. I think that Clubs are under a moral obligation to try and maintain their courts in a better condition than some are at present. This is, however, a matter for the Clubs themselves, but something should be done immediately.

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Method For Popularising Swimming

A new departure in trying to popularise swimming will be attempted by the Swimming Committee of the European Y.M.C.A. next month, when the first gala-social will be held on the first Saturday of the month.

The idea is to get as many members as possible acquainted with the fact that the "Y" possess a swimming pool second to none in the Colony.

I believe the programme is scheduled to commence with an invitation to all members and possibly their friends to participate in Mixed Bathing from 9 p.m. till 9.30 p.m., when a sealed handicap event, open to members, will be held, probably in two sections.

This will be followed by a comic-turn in the bath, another sealed handicap race and then a "cabaret" turn! It is proposed to have music, the band being situated in the gallery at the far end of the pool.

It is also proposed to have tables round the pool at which it is hoped members will form parties. Soft drinks and sandwiches will be available.

Having had considerable experience of the pool, I think the main obstacle the Swimming Committee will come up against is "heat." They will have to provide some sort of cooling system, probably in the form of fans at various vantage points, for it is the spectators who must be catered for as well as intending competitors.

and Geordie Duncan, the latter giving very steady support to his father-in-law. On the other side, Cook was outstanding but was unlucky with some of his shots, especially the weighty ones. Gill secured the biggest count of the day, a seven, through a little error of judgment on the part of his opponent, but was good value for his win.

BEBBINGTON SHINES

The Police Club seconds won their game against the Football Club second string thanks to Teddy Booker's big win against Jake Selby, in which he finished up 29 to the good. The home team were

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Lawn Bowls

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individually too good for the opposition, for whom F. H. Glover at Number Two, was the best. The visiting Skip scored on only five heads.

Bobbington, the old K.C.C. player, took most of the limelight in the game between Nolan and Brooksbank, and that the latter won by as many as a dozen was largely due to his good play.

Carey and Tuck peeled, as they call it in Scotland, at nineteen, and Joe Carey had to pull out his best to earn a skip's point. On the 20th head, he was lying three and in endeavouring to add to the count, moved the jack to give a couple away, but by sound play the rink pulled up by a similar score on the last end.

A COINCIDENCE

The Kowloon Bowling Green Club enjoyed the better of Tai-koo, as I expected, winning on all rinks, though very narrowly on one of them. By a coincidence, all the home rinks scored 22, both Drake and Logan against Munro and Stainton, respectively, winning by seven shots.

Jack Watson played a very good game at second man to Drake, and had a worthy opponent in McColgan, who was always handy. With the opposition laying quite a few at the fifth head, Drake got in a lovely shot to flick the jack sideways to a bunch of his own woods and count five. A good effort.

He had not scored up to then, but the effort seemed to put more ambition into his team and they never looked back, despite very fine work by Munro, who was always saving the situation.

"Jock" Logan was always in the lead against Tom Stainton, and it was as well that his men were on form or they would have been in queer street as both Pollock, at second man, and Stainton were playing excellently.

Keown and Meyer had a rare tussle with the latter just emerging the victory by the barest margin. After leading for most of the way, the Tai-koo man took the lead at the 19th head! Then the home side to get a couple of singles to pull the game out of the fire.

IN WINNING VEIN

The Kowloon Football Club continued in winning vein, in the Third Division, at King's Park, where they overcame Recreio by quite a useful margin, two of their rinks being up. Field went into the lead in the Skip's table by means of a seven shot win over Charlie Roza-Pereira, and both he and Bob Hall, as second man, were playing a good game.

Joe Gibson was eight up on Rosario and worth it, Young Lapsley doing useful leading work for him. The only home win was that of Eddie Souza, who just had the better of a redoubtable opponent in Adam Holland, who had Tommy Fergusson as his chief assistant. Quite an encouraging debut for the "big fellow".

IN BEST OF TRIM

Kowloon Tong won on two rinks to beat Kowloon Cricket Club by nine shots. Spary, I believe being in the best of trim in securing the spoils against Carr.

Harry Gittins had an erstwhile First Division player in Atienza, as his third man, and the old Craigengower player lent valuable assistance, especially in the gaining of a couple of fives. The scoring was very changeable in the game between Tony Basto and Bob Marks, for after scoring five in the first two heads, the home team were blanked until their opponents had run up to 14.

FORMIDABLE QUARTETTE

Although the Electricians had the biggest win in the Third Division, it was mostly a one-man show as de Rome had 16 of the 20 by which his side won. He had Paul, at Number Three, and this pair following up useful work by McKay and Stopani Thomson, formed a formidable combination.

Muskett preserved his unbeaten record (with an entirely different team from the two previous weeks) by a narrow win over Brown, whilst Sloan pulled up remarkably well after being 12 down, to pip Murdoch on the post.

The Hong Kong Football Club, having fully recovered from their big de-

Craigengower Defeat Recreio Quite Comfortably

"B" DIVISION TENNIS AT KING'S PARK

C.R.C. AND H.K.C.C. ALSO WIN

CRAIGENGOWER Cricket Club gave evidence of their strength in the "B" Division of the Lawn Tennis League yesterday, when they defeated a strong Club de Recreio combination by 5½ sets to 3½, establishing a 2-1 lead in the first round and consolidating their advantage in the second round.

Craigengower have two fairly well-balanced pairings, Joe Leonard and G. Choa being the sheet-anchors, and winning their three sets without being fully extended.

G. Choa has improved his service tremendously and often caught the opposition napping with aces. He volleyed confidently and brought off many glorious passing shots down the centre of the court. Leonard was on his usual form, imparting top-spin to his drives with much success.

Robert Choa and George Lai were never quite at ease and shared the spoils with Oliveira and Carvalho, Recreio's most inconsistent pair, and conceded their two other matches. Choa served well, but failed to follow up his advantage, while Lai brought off an occasional winner at the net with an angle volley.

VERY STEADY

Howard and A. Kitchell were very steady throughout their three matches, meeting with strongest opposition from the Remedios brothers, whom they beat after a spirited encounter.

For Recreio, L. A. L. Silva and A. M. Rodrigues were the best pair. Silva, although playing well in patches, was very erratic at times, at the net, and was seen to best advantage at midcourt or at the baseline. Rodrigues is improving by leaps and bounds. He drove well on both hands, but was at his best at the net, where he tucked away high and low balls for winners.

Carvalho and Oliveira will have to improve considerably if they hope to obtain any success in the League. The former was very erratic and threw away many points by attempting volleys on balls which would have gone out of the court, while the latter's backhand failed him miserably.

The Remedios brothers took some time to find their form and then the majority of winners came from "J. J." who proved much the more reliable of the two.

In another match at Causeway Bay Chinese Recreation Club had little difficulty in taking both points off the Civil Servants.

feat in the first game of the season, followed up their previous away win with a 10 shots victory, at home, over Craigengower juniors, who appeared to have a strong team out.

Trengove's men did most of the damage as they were well up on Pau, although Joe Beach also helped with a narrow win, after a tight struggle with Alves.

H. H. Pegg, making his debut as skip, was not so successful, but it was a couple of threes on the last two heads that made Medina's lead one of eight shots.

H.K.F.C.

C. G. Solis, R. Edwards, R. Fitches and J. Pegg (skip).
S. A. Mansell, A. Stevon, S. Cressey and V. Walker (skip).
A. M. Didsbury, A. Thomson, J. Skinner and R. A. Trengove (skip).
First Reserve:—G. E. Smith.

M. A. Oliveira and L. A. Carvalho (Recreio).
lost to J. W. Leonard and G. Choa 0-6
lost to W. J. Howard and A. Kitchell 3-6
drew with G. Lai and R. Choa 6-6
F. J. Remedios and J. J. Remedios (Recreio).
lost to Leonard and Choa 2-6
lost to Howard and Kitchell 3-6
beat Lai and Choa 6-4
L. A. L. Silva and A. M. Rodrigues (Recreio).
lost to Leonard and Choa 4-6
beat Howard and Kitchell 6-1
beat Lai and Choa 6-4

C.R.C. WIN AT HOME

In the "B" Division of the Tennis League yesterday, Chinese Recreation Club beat Civil Service C. C. by 8 sets to 1.

Y. W. Lee and F. Kwok (C.R.C.).
beat J. R. Pengelly and I. Agafuroff 6-2
beat J. Bendell and B. Agafuroff 6-4
beat W. Carver and P. Sloan 6-1
S. W. Liang and D. S. Sze (C.R.C.).
lost to Pengelly and Agafuroff 3-6
beat Bendell and Agafuroff 6-0
beat Carver and Sloan 6-1
P. F. Choy and K. C. Ng (C.R.C.).
beat Pengelly and Agafuroff 6-4
beat Bendell and B. Agafuroff 6-4
beat Carver and Sloan 6-3

H.K.C.C. WIN AWAY FROM HOME

At King's Park, Hong Kong Cricket Club beat Kowloon Indian Tennis Club by 5½ sets to 3½.

S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain (K.I.T.C.).
beat A. C. I. Bowker and B. O'M. Dean 6-1
beat J. J. Ferguson and F. E. Storey 6-2
beat W. M. Barton and T. C. Monaghan 6-0
Firdos Khan and M. A. Khan (K.I.T.C.).
lost to Bowker and Dean 3-6
drew with Ferguson and Storey 6-6
lost to Barton and Monaghan 3-6
S. R. Sallch and Gurbachan Singh (K.I.T.C.).
lost to Bowker and Dean 4-6
lost to Ferguson and Storey 0-6
lost to Barton and Monaghan 2-6

FOUR MATCHES IN "C" DIV. OF LEAGUE TO-DAY

C.R.C. Should Win Away Tie

Four matches will feature to-day's "C" Division Lawn Tennis League programme, the Chinese Recreation Club, holders of the title, being away to Craigengower, but should win all the same.

It is likely that the Hong Kong University's match against the Army Tennis Club will be postponed owing to University examinations.

The following are some of to-day's teams:

TO-DAY'S TEAMS

K.C.C.
G. A. White and W. M. Gittins.
R. S. Capell and B. Soltau.
D. J. N. Anderson and F. A. Broadbridge.

K. TONG G.C.A.
K. H. Chan and W. Wu.
O. L. Pang and F. Y. Mok.
H. Ling and K. Lam.

C.R.C.
To be selected from Iu Tak-lam, Lau Fook-ki, Hon Lum-fung, La Siu-leung, Leung Ping-chiu and Tsang Cheung-nin.

CRAIGENGOWER

W. Rapley and D. Hung.
T. Lock and A. Kitchell.
A. R. H. Esmail and G. Winch.

TO-DAY'S TENNIS PROGRAMME

The following is to-day's programme in the "C" Division of the Lawn Tennis League:

H.K.U.T.C. v. A.T.C.
C.C.C. v. C.R.C.
I.R.C. v. S.C.A.A.
K.C.C. v. K.T.G.C.A.

I.R.C. TROUNCED BY S. CHINA

At Sookunpoo, South China Athletic Association beat the Indian Recreation Club by 9 sets to nil.

S. A. Ismail and J. S. A. Cureem (I.R.C.).
lost to H. T. Bee and H. Y. Kho 4-6
lost to J. Hsu and K. Ng 2-6
lost to K. H. Lee and N. K. Ma 2-6
A. R. Kitchell and A. Rahmin (I.R.C.).
lost to Bee and Kho 4-6
lost to Hsu and Ng 4-6
lost to Lee and Ma 4-6
S. A. R. Bux and A. R. Suffad (I.R.C.).
lost to Bee and Kho 4-6
lost to Hsu and Ng 4-6
lost to Lee and Ma 1-6

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Lawn Bowls Teams For Saturday

FIRST DIVISION

K.B.G.C.
A. J. Hall, G. E. F. Thompson, T. Armstrong and L. Guy (skip).
John Watson, S. M. White, A. Hyde Lay and R. Duncan (skip).
R. P. Phillips, A. Macfarlane, C. E. Hosking and E. W. Lines (skip).

Recreio
J. Luz, J. F. V. Ribeiro, A. A. Remedios and H. A. Alves (skip).
L. F. Xavier, D. C. Alves, F. V. V. Ribeiro and R. F. Luz (skip).
J. E. Noronha, C. E. Marques, C. G. Silva and F. X. M. Silva (skip).

P.R.C.
W. Campbell, W. McHardy, W. E. Hollands and J. Shepherd (skip).
W. Cameron, J. Fender, J. Orem and W. Mair (skip).
W. McLeod, C. Dowman, G. Perkins and E. G. Post (skip).

K.C.C.

W. Mulcahy, J. M. Brown, R. Craig and E. Kern (skip).
A. E. Silkstone, T. A. Madar, H. Overy and E. C. Fincher (skip).
W. Hyde, L. Jack, A. W. Smith and J. Hyde (skip).

C.S.C.C.

W. R. Hillyer, L. A. Collyer, J. M. Purvis and J. Hollidge (skip).
J. R. Pengelly, E. W. Simmonds, J. Deakin and S. Randle (skip).
J. Gellatly, W. J. Burling, J. F. McGowan and G. H. Sherriff (skip).

SECOND DIVISION

P.R.C.

H. Brown, S. Farlow, A. Wright and A. E. Carey (skip).
W. Glendenning, C. Channing, E. Ellis and F. E. E. Booker (skip).
N. Edwards, T. Tallon, F. Nolan and G. C. Moss (skip).

C.S.C.C.

B. O. Bostock, D. P. Crawley, R. R. Wood and J. Cook (skip).
E. Kirman, R. R. Davis, A. Warr and A. B. Allan (skip).
H. F. Harper, J. R. Carr, W. Cullip and S. Eccleshall (skip).

K.B.G.C.

E. V. Searle, G. C. Norman, K. C. Hamilton and J. G. Meyer (skip).
A. Macintyre, Jack Watson, D. W. Waterton and W. S. Drake (skip).
H. L. Lockhart, H. E. Drew, F. A. Cheesman and J. S. Logan (skip).

Recreio

F. A. Machado, C. A. Lopes, C. H. Basto and J. J. Basto (skip).
C. C. Pereira, F. A. Xavier, Dr. A. P. Guterres and B. Basto (skip).
L. A. Gutierrez, A. V. Barros, L. J. Silva and F. X. Soares (skip).

THIRD DIVISION

Recreio

F. Prata, J. M. O. Sequencia, O. P. Remedios and C. R. Pereira (skip).
J. Figueiredo, C. P. Basto, H. A. B. Botelho and J. M. Rosario (skip).
A. F. Noronha, A. M. Xavier, M. A. Carvalho and P. A. Yvanovich (skip).

K.C.C.

A. J. Kew, A. E. Perry, A. W. Ramsey and W. W. Hirst (skip).
A. Dard, C. J. Tacchi, R. Marks and H. Nish (skip).
V. C. Labrum, W. T. French, J. M. Jack and T. Carr (skip).

H.K.E.R.C.

A. N. Other, R. C. Butler, S. Deacon and J. Sloan.
J. F. Barron, G. G. S. Thomson, A. F. Paul and L. de Rome (skip).
A. Tarbuck, J. F. Hedley, G. T. Padgett and W. H. Muskett (skip).
Reserves:—S. Deacon.



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U.M. OMAR HEADS 'SKIP'S' TABLE

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By virtue of his big win last Saturday, U. M. Omar, the Crai-gengower Cricket Club skip, is now at the head of the First Division Skip's table, and is followed by F. X. M. Silva, of Recreio, who is 25 shots behind and who also retains his unbeaten record.

J. G. Meyer, the only Second Division skip who has won three games to date, leads the Second Division Skip's Table, being 5 shots up. A. E. Carey, of the Police, who has only drawn one game, is next, being 7 shots up.

W. J. Field, of Kowloon Football Club, W. Muskett, of the Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club, and A. Spary, of Kowloon Tong Club, have all won three games to date, but Field leads the Third Division Skip's Table, by virtue of beating Muskett by one shot.

The following is the record of all skips in the Three Divisions of the League.

FIRST DIVISION									
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	Agt.	Up	Down	Pts.
U. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	3	3	0	0	81	37	44	0	6
F. X. M. Silva (Recreio)	3	3	0	0	66	47	19	0	6
E. el Arculli (I.R.C.)	3	2	1	0	75	50	25	0	5
R. Duncan (K.B.G.C.)	3	2	1	0	53	49	4	0	5
B. W. Bradbury (C.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	68	52	16	0	4
A. R. Dallah (I.R.C.)	3	2	0	1	62	47	15	0	4
J. C. Brown (K.D.R.C.)	3	2	0	1	68	53	15	0	4
E. Kern (K.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	68	53	15	0	4
F. Cullen (K.D.R.C.)	3	2	0	1	65	51	14	0	4
J. Hollidge (C.S.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	56	44	12	0	4
J. Hyde (K.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	70	59	11	0	4
E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.)	2	1	1	0	36	32	4	0	3
R. F. Luz (Recreio)	2	1	0	1	31	29	0	8	2
R. Basa (C.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	72	53	19	0	2
L. Guy (K.B.G.C.)	3	1	0	2	55	57	0	2	2
G. C. Moss (P.R.C.)	3	1	0	2	63	68	0	5	2
A. R. Minu (I.R.C.)	3	1	0	2	46	58	0	12	2
G. Perkins (P.R.C.)	3	1	0	2	56	69	0	13	2
C. B. Hosking (K.B.G.C.)	3	1	0	2	46	61	0	15	2
H. A. Alves (Recreio)	3	1	0	2	44	61	0	17	2
W. E. Hollands (P.R.C.)	3	1	0	2	43	68	0	25	2
J. McKelvie (K.D.R.C.)	3	0	1	2	45	67	0	22	1
C. G. Silva (Recreio)	1	0	0	1	15	19	0	4	0
J. Deakin (C.S.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	13	19	0	6	0
A. E. Silkstone (K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	10	23	0	13	0
G. Sherriff (C.S.C.C.)	2	0	0	2	21	52	0	31	0
S. Randle (C.S.C.C.)	3	0	0	3	32	72	0	40	0
Totals	72	34	4	34	1360	1360	213	213	72

THIRD DIVISION									
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	Agt.	Up	Down	Pts.
W. Field (K.F.C.)	3	3	0	0	68	35	33	0	6
W. Muskett (H.K.E.R.C.)	3	3	0	0	71	39	32	0	6
A. Spary (K.T.C.)	3	3	0	0	79	49	30	0	6
H. Nish (K.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	47	26	21	0	4
J. S. Beach (H.K.F.C.)	2	2	0	0	38	33	5	0	4
R. Trengove (H.K.F.C.)	3	2	0	1	68	59	9	0	4
J. Sloan (H.K.E.R.C.)	3	2	0	1	65	59	6	0	4
J. Gibson (K.F.C.)	3	2	0	1	59	57	2	0	4
W. J. Penney (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	18	10	8	0	2
V. C. Labrum (K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	22	14	8	0	2
M. J. Medina (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	27	19	8	0	2
R. Lapsley (K.F.C.)	1	1	0	0	18	15	3	0	2
W. H. Atkins (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	20	17	3	0	2
R. H. E. Marks (K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	20	17	3	0	2
E. da Souza (Recreio)	1	1	0	0	26	23	3	0	2
A. E. S. Alves (C.C.C.)	2	1	0	1	37	26	11	0	2
L. de Rome (H.K.E.R.C.)	2	1	0	1	39	31	8	0	2
P. A. Yvanovich (Recreio)	2	1	0	1	37	39	0	2	2
J. A. D. Morrison (R.H.K.Y.C.)	2	1	0	1	33	43	0	10	2
A. H. Basto (K.T.C.)	3	1	0	2	55	49	6	0	2
W. W. Hirst (K.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	50	54	0	4	2
A. Murdoch (R.H.K.Y.C.)	3	1	0	2	57	62	0	5	2
J. M. S. Rozario (Recreio)	3	1	0	2	52	58	0	6	2
H. Gittins (K.T.C.)	3	1	0	2	53	66	0	13	2
C. E. Roza-Pereira (Recreio)	3	1	0	2	42	65	0	23	2
S. Lillierap (C.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	14	16	0	2	0
A. M. Holland (K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	23	26	0	3	0
L. E. Lammert (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	14	22	0	8	0
G. S. Archbutt (R.H.K.Y.C.)	1	0	0	1	17	25	0	8	0
H. H. Pegg (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	19	27	0	8	0
W. Ward (C.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	11	22	0	11	0
A. F. Paul (H.K.E.R.C.)	1	0	0	1	18	30	0	12	0
V. C. Chittenden (K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	9	22	0	13	0
T. W. Carr (K.C.C.)	2	0	0	2	36	44	0	8	0
E. J. Edwards (H.K.F.C.)	2	0	0	2	26	44	0	18	0
J. Pau (C.C.C.)	2	0	0	2	22	46	0	24	0
A. W. Brown (R.H.K.Y.C.)	3	0	0	3	42	63	0	21	0
Totals	72	36	0	36	1352	1352	199	199	72

LAWN BOWLS TEAMS FOR SATURDAY

K.F.C.		T.R.C.	
J. Eastman, J. Dobson, T. Ferguson and A. Holland (skip).		W. Brown, F. Heldon, T. Grimes and T. F. Stainton (skip).	
A. Lapsley, J. Smalley, V. Chittenden and J. Gibson (skip).		J. Fleming, A. M. Arthur, J. Polson and R. W. Keown (skip).	
T. White, R. Hall, C. Turney and W. Field (skip).		W. Melrose, J. Waid, W. Seath and D. Munro (skip).	
H.K.F.C. "A"		Kowloon Dock	
J. S. Howell, A. W. Hodges, J. Russell and J. Rodger (skip).		J. G. Ozorio, W. Houston, J. Kemp-ton and J. McKelvie (skip).	
R. P. Shaw, E. Strange, G. Duncan and W. Gill (skip).		J. V. Ramsay, M. Ferguson, S. Gray and H. G. Cooper (skip).	
W. Buller, G. S. Graver, N. Bebbington and A. Brooksbank (skip).		A. M. Calman, J. Revie, G. N. Mitchell and F. Cullen (skip).	
H.K.F.C. "B"		Kowloon Tong	
S. Strange, E. S. Carter, L. Lammert and F. Haynes (skip).		C. Mose, J. Tang, J. L. Stephens and A. Spary (skip).	
A. McKellar, T. Rowell, H. V. Pearce and E. Tuck (skip).		W. J. Howard, T. K. Lim, V. Atienza and H. Gittins (skip).	
F. H. Glover, C. B. Robertson, J. Beach and J. A. R. Selby (skip).		A. E. Castro, H. Y. Hsu, Y. Abbas and A. H. Basto (skip).	

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	Agt.	Up	Down	Pts.
J. G. Meyer (K.B.G.C.)	3	3	0	0	64	59	5	0	6
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M. A. R. Souza (C.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	47	33	14	0	4
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F. X. Soares (Recreio)	3	2	0	1	68	58	10	0	4
J. S. Logan (K.B.G.C.)	3	2	0	1	64	59	5	0	4
K. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	63	62	1	0	4
W. S. Drake (K.B.G.C.)	3	2	0	1	58	64	0	6	4
A. Brooksbank (H.K.F.C. "B")	3	1	1	1	56	49	7	0	3
J. J. Basto (Recreio)	3	1	1	1	48	53	0	5	3
E. Tuck (H.K.F.C. "B")	3	1	1	1	52	80	0	28	3
M. J. Medina (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	31	14	17	0	2
J. Cavanagh (C.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	59	60	0	1	2
J. W. Cook (C.S.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	67	69	0	2	2
B. Basto (Recreio)	3	1	0	2	58	60	0	2	2
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R. M. Keown (T.R.C.)	3	1	0	2	64	67	0	3	2
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1.40 p.m.—Rachmaninoff—Concerto No. 2 In C Minor, Op. 18. Played by Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—Studio—The Children's Hour.

7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 p.m.—New Variety Programme.

Vocal with Orchestra—Snow White And The Seven Dwarfs (Vocal Gems from the Walt Disney Film) Chorus And Orchestra directed by Jay Wilbur.

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7.30 p.m.—London Relay — 'At The Black Dog'. Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by Pascoe Thornton and S. E. Reynolds.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—A Recital by Eva Turner (Soprano) accompanied by A. T. Lay (Piano).

1. (a) Shepherd! Thy Demeanour Vary (Thomas Brown—arr. H. Lane Wilson); (b) One Morning, Oh! So Early (J. Michael Diack—words: Jean Ingelow)....Eva Turner.

2. The Holy Boy (John Ireland).

3. Five Miniature Ballads—A Song Cycle (William Y. Hurlstone): (a) Bells; (b) Blossoms; (c) Dreams; (d) Darkness (e) Morning.....Eva Turner.

8.25 p.m.—Bach—Brandenburg Concerto No. 6 in B Flat Major. Played by Sir Henry J. Wood and His Symphony Orchestra.

8.43 p.m.—Selections From Opera. Fidelio—Act 2: "In des lebens Fruhlingsstagen" (Beethoven).

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"Tales Of Hoffman" — Vocal Gems (Offenbach).

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9.15 p.m.—London Relay—'World Affairs'. A talk by the Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson, G.C.M.G., K.B.E.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m.—Violin Solos.

Danse Champetre, Op. 106, No. 1 (Sibelius).....Emil Telmanyi (Violin) accomp. by G. V. Vasarehelyi (Piano).

Consolation (No. 3) (Liszt). From My Homeland (No. 2) (Smetana).....Natan Milstein (Violin).

Leopold Mittmann (Piano).

10.02 p.m.—Songs by Theodore Chaliapine (Bass).

The Two Grenadiers (Schumann). Midnight Review (Glinka).

10.13 p.m.—Rimsky-Korsakov — Scheherazade, Suite, Op. 35. Played by The Philadelphia Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

11 p.m.—Close down.

5.45 a.m.—'World Affairs'. A talk by the Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson.
6.00 a.m.—Light Classical Programme.
6.50 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 7.00 a.m.
7.15 a.m.—Close Down.

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11.05 a.m.—The Aston Hippodrome Orchestra.

11.30 a.m.—'At the Black Dog.' Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour.

12.00 p.m.—'Friends to Tea.' A vest-pocket vaudeville.

12.30 p.m.—Pianoforte Recital by Edwin Benbow.

1.00 p.m.—Waldeufel Waltzes.

1.15 p.m.—'World Affairs'. A talk by the Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson.

1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.

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1.57 p.m.—Opening Announcements.

2.00 p.m.—Big Ben. The Band of the 2nd Bn. The Buffs (Royal East Kent Regiment).

2.35 p.m.—'The Gang Smasher' (Episode 7). A radio serial adapted from the novel The Gang Smasher by Hugh Clevely.

2.55 p.m.—Orchestral Music.

3.20 p.m.—'Empire Variety Theatre.'

4.00 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.

4.20 p.m.—'Matters of Moment.' A talk by Edward Thompson, in a series for listeners in India.

4.35 p.m.—English Theatre Music from the XVIIth to the XXth Century.

5.00 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

A Near Minimum

Mr. Culbertson is conducting, through this column, an examination of bridge players. Rate yourself by subtracting from 100 the points for each wrong answer.

Yesterday's question was: Question 44; Both sides vulnerable. You are South, and hold:

S.—A K J 8 5
H.—8 6
D.—7 5 2
C.—K J 7

The bidding has proceeded:
South West North East
1 spade Pass 3 spades 4 hearts

What call do you make now?

Answer: You should pass. You have a "near minimum." If you were to bid four spades over four hearts you would be making a Free bid, thus advertising distinctly better than minimum strength and, at the same time, you would be depriving your partner of the opportunity to exercise his judgment, whether to double four hearts or go on to four spades. Certainly, you yourself should not double, and since North is the "Last one to speak," your pass really is a "forcing pass." It forces North to bid or double, at his discretion. (Two points demerit for bidding four spades. Three points demerit for doubling four hearts.)

TODAY'S QUESTION

Question 45: You are East, defending against a four heart contract, reached on this bidding:

South West North East
1 heart Pass 2 hearts 2 spades
4 hearts Pass Pass Pass

Your hand and dummy are as follows:

North (dummy)
S.—6 5 2
H.—Q 10 8 4
D.—7 3
C.—A 6 4 2

East
S.—A Q 9 8 7
H.—8 2
D.—K Q 9 5
C.—K 10

West leads the spade jack. What card do you, East, play?

TODAY'S HAND

South, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH		SOUTH	
S.—8 7 5 4	H.—J 10 4 3	S.—A K 3	H.—A Q 7 6 5 2
D.—A	C.—7 6 3 2	D.—8 6 3	C.—10

The bidding:
South West North East
1 heart Pass 2 hearts 2 spades
3 hearts Pass 4 Hearts Pass
Pass Pass

West opened the spade queen. Declarer won, crossed to dummy's ace, and took the heart finesse. It lost to West, who returned a low club. East won and led the spade jack. Too late declarer realised his danger. The spade king was played (it could do no good to hold off) and, as per South's fears, West ruffed. Eventually South had to concede the three of spades for the setting trick.

Just one more case of "finessing mania." Declarer should have seen that he could afford to lose one spade, one trump, and one club. Surely he should have spotted West's spade queen as a singleton. The crux, then, was to get out trumps quickly. Instead of bothering with a finesse the ace and another trump should have been played, and the defenders then would have had to whistle for more than three tricks.

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GOVERNMENT WINNING S.A. ELECTIONS

Capetown, To-day.

The state of the parties in the South African elections at 3.10 a.m. (South African time) was as follows:

United Party 45 seats, 5 gains, 4 losses
Nationalists No seats, No gains, one loss
Dominion Party 5 seats, 4 gains, 2 losses
Labour 3 seats, 1 gain, 3 losses
Independents No seats, no gains, one loss.

The United Party also secured seven new seats under the new delimitation of constituencies.

Colonel Stallard, leader of the Dominion Party, was defeated.

The Government won a notable triumph at Johannesburg, where Mrs. C. C. Badenhorst, one of seven woman candidates in the elections, won the working class constituency of Vrededrop from the Nationalists, who also suffered a severe setback owing to one of their leaders, the Rev. C. W. Dutoit, failing to get a majority in either of the two seats he contested in the Transvaal.

URBAN RESULTS

Later.

Counting of votes in urban areas was completed at 4.39 this morning, when the state of the parties

Search For Missing Aviatrix

Paris, To-day.

French, British and Italian aeroplanes are searching for the French aviatrix, Madame Dupeyron, who left on Saturday from Oran (Algeria) for the Persian Gulf on the attempt to beat the long distance air record for women just established by the French airwoman, Elisabeth Lion.

Although Algeria, Tunis, Tripolitania, the Libyan Desert, Mesopotamia and the shores of the Persian Gulf have been reconnoitred by numerous aeroplanes, no trace of the missing aviatrix could be found up to noon yesterday.

The Agilon plane used by Mme. Dupeyron was of an older type and has no wireless.

The French papers demand that planes used for such record flights must be equipped with wireless to enable the pilot to give information about the place of landing in case of accident.—Trans-Ocean.

was:

United Party 51 seats, 6 gains, 4 losses

Dominion Party 6 seats, 4 gains, 2 losses

Socialists 1 seat, no gains, no losses

Labour 3 seats, 1 gain, 3 losses
Nationalists No seats, no gains, one loss

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Counting in rural areas will begin at 9 o'clock this morning. — Reuter.

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Brussels, To-day.

Archduke Otto von Habsburg will, in the near future, announce his engagement to Princess Maria Theresia von Lichtenstein, reports a Belgian newspaper. Maria Theresia is the sister of the ruling Prince.

At the same time the announcement of the engagement of Archduchess Adelaide of Habsburg, Otto's sister, to the ruling Prince of Lichtenstein, Franz Joseph, will be made known.—Trans-Ocean.

MORE ARRESTS IN MOSCOW

Moscow, To-day.

Persistent rumours of the arrest of Vice-President of Union Council of Peoples' Commissars, M. Kossior, who is also a member of the "Political Bureau" of the Communist Party, appear to be true, Kossior was missing at the Great Workers Parade on the Red Square in Moscow on May 1.

With Kossior, who hailed from Polish Ukraine, another "old Bolshevik" has disappeared who occupied some of the highest posts in State and Party.

Last January 3, Kossior, who for ten years previously had been Secretary of the Communist Party in the Ukraine, was appointed President of the Soviet Communist of Control and Vice-President of Union Council of Peoples' Commissars.

It is believed that similar fate has also overtaken the Commissar for Agriculture, M. Eiche, and head of the Organisation Bureau of Central Executive Committee of the Communist Party, M. Stezki.—Trans-Ocean.

PIG IRON PLAN FOR BRITAIN

London, To-day.

The British Government is now preparing a plan which provides for an accumulation of large pig iron supplies to be used for the manufacture of steel in emergency, reports the "Daily Express" and it will be asked by the Government that blast-furnaces be not extinguished in future even at a time when no orders are to hand.

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